



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:
0401 205 636

23rd August 2026

21st 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

Temporary Changes to Mass Location

**All regular Masses and liturgical celebrations will be held at
Holy Trinity Church, 171 Kesters Rd Para Hills
From Tuesday 25th August - Friday 25th September**

Liturgy Assistants at 6pm & 8am Mass:

If you are rostered during this period it is expected that you will fulfill
your ministry at Holy Trinity for the same respective Mass.
If you are unable to fulfill your ministry please organise a replacement
as we normally do.

Eucharistic Ministers visiting people in their own homes or nursing homes:

If you are unable to collect the Blessed Sacrament at Masses at Holy Trinity
please contact the parish office to arrange a time to collect
the Blessed Sacrament from the parish office.

The weeks of **Monday 24th to Friday 28th August** and
Monday 21st September - Friday 25th September
have been allocated move the chairs, furniture and other items from the
tiled areas and storage rooms. Please do not enter the building
unless you are there to help with this task.

**For safety reasons there will be no access permitted to St John XXIII
Church, including the meeting room, work room and Chapel,
from Monday 31st August - Friday 18th September.**

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.

The parish office will be open as usual so please contact us
if you need any further information
Ph: 8264 7590 or Email: office@paramodcath.com.au

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

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

Readings for Sunday 29th August 2026 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

1st Reading	Jer	20:7 - 9
2nd Reading	Rom	12:1 - 2
Gospel	Mt	16:21 - 27

Saints & Feast Days

24th Aug	St Bartholomew
25th Aug	St Louis
	St Joseph Calasanz
27th Aug	St Monica
28th Aug	St Augustine
29th Aug	Passion of John the Baptist

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:

Vito Cocca, Berta Snobl, Maria Piotrowski, Saverio Tripodi, Dennis Whitehead

Ordination of Anthony Dunn

On the 3rd of October 2026 Anthony Dunn, brother of Matthew Dunn, is being ordained to the Priesthood in Port Pirie. If you are interested in attending the ordination ceremony please contact Matthew Dunn on 0429 824 132

Thank you

Brenda Whitehead would like to thank everyone who attended Dennis' Funeral Mass, and everyone who offered their prayers and support during this difficult time.

Brenda would also like to express her gratitude to Fr Kym for celebrating the Mass.

Thanks also to members of Reach Out and parishioners who organised the refreshments and helped to cleaned up after the Mass.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

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



St Vincent de Paul Modbury Conference

Another full week for assistance calls, with five needing assistance with food to carry their families through to their next benefit payment.

One, a DV case, for rental assistance covering delays in getting CentreLink income.

This week we're plotting the migration to the Vinnies shed in preparation for the floor work in the church. Should be a bit squeezey, but we'll try to maintain continuity of the assistance calls.

Our immediate needs in the pantry are
Tinned Tomatoes, Margarine/Butter, Breakfast Cereal and Tinned Meat

If you can, please put any or all of these in the basket(s). We appreciate the assistance this provides us in keeping the pantry stocked against the assistance demand.

Our Lady of Good Health (Velankanni) Feast Day

Mass – Sunday 13 September, 2026 at 2.15pm

The Adelaide Tamil Community warmly invites everyone to celebrate the feast of Our lady of Velankanni (our Lady of Good Health) on Sunday 13 September at 2.15pm celebrated by Fr James McEvoy, at the Annunciation church, 20 Montacute Road, Hectorville SA 5073.

Flag Hoisting of Our Lady of Velankanni on 4 September at 7pm followed by Mass (in Tamil) celebrated by Fr Michael Berchmans. All are welcome to join this joyful celebration of faith and devotion to Our Lady of Good Health. For more information, please contact the Justice Healing and Inclusion Office on E: jhi@adelaide.catholic.org.au

Mass of Creation 2026 Season of Creation Event

The Archdiocesan Council for Integral Ecology invites you to celebrate a special mass in nature with Archbishop Patrick O'Regan during the Season of Creation.

The event will occur on
Saturday, 5 September (10am start)
at St. Helens Park
(39 Prospect Rd, Prospect 5082).



BYO chair and plate of food. Some light refreshments and an ice-cream cart will be available (free of charge).

Registrations are essential at:

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord , your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

News from the PPC

- Fr Kym and Alesia Sala (Gleeson College) gave a brief summary of the final Synod Session held on 27 June. There were over 30 recommendations put to the Synod members and voted upon. The final report is currently being prepared for the Archbishop and it is anticipated the report will be available towards the end of September 2026. From there Parishes will need to consider the report and how they will implement the recommendations.
- For the Gospel reflection considering that the PPC met on Census Night the reading from Luke 2:1-14 was used. This gospel is usually proclaimed at Christmas, however because of the census being undertaken around the birth of Christ we have this special birth gospel reading.
- At Gleeson College August/September will be Vinnies month with collection of various items including hygiene items, non perishables, stationary etc. In addition a Vinnies winter sleepout will be held on Friday 11 September. This will support the TTG Vinnies.

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

New Gutters at St John XXIII

We are pleased to inform you that the gutters at St John XXIII Church have recently been replaced at a cost of \$3,000.

This work is part of our ongoing commitment to maintaining our church facilities and ensuring they remain safe and functional for everyone in our parish community.

As always, we sincerely appreciate your generosity and support. Any donation towards the ongoing maintenance of our church sites is greatly appreciated.

Parish Finance Council

STAY FOR A CUPPA!

Next weekend we will have our monthly Cuppa after Mass.

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

As always volunteers will be needed to assist with setting up, serving and clean up after all Masses

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! You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church the gates of hell will not hold out against it.. Alleluia!

PRAYER MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Sat **22nd Aug** Legion of Mary
Sun **23rd Aug** Divine Mercy

10am **Holy Trinity**
 2.30pm **Holy Trinity**



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2026

Congratulations to this week's winner

No 35 Sheila Cooper
 Drawn by Margaret Giebel

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



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



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 to set up direct giving from your computer.

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

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.

Christ on the Court 2026 – YOUTH EVENT Saturday 29 August

The highly anticipated Christ on the Court 2026 is back, bigger and better than ever.
 Join young people from across Adelaide and interstate for an unforgettable day of basketball, faith and fellowship on Saturday, 29 August 2026 at St Michael's College Senior Campus.
 With more teams participating and exciting activities planned throughout the day, this promises to be a fantastic celebration of community and faith.

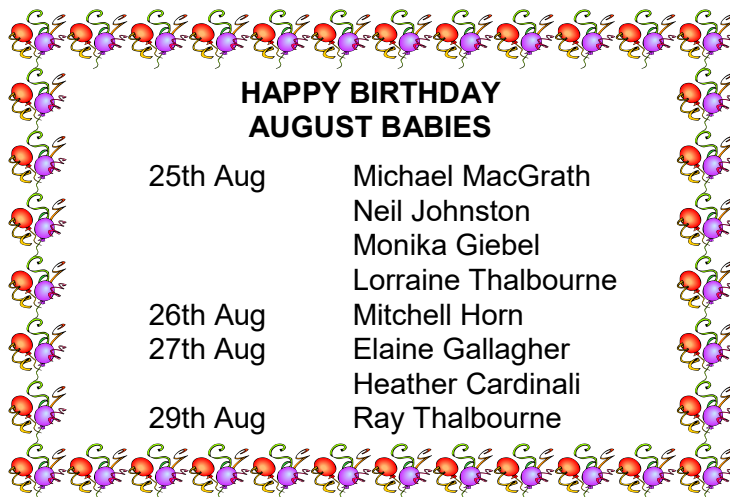
Tickets are now on sale and can be purchased at:
eventik.com.au/event/christ-on-the-court-2026/

All are welcome.

Parish Giving July 2026

First Collection (Priests)	\$ 3,696.90
Second Collection (Parish)	\$10,280.95

We thank you for your continuing support of our Parish and Priests.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY AUGUST BABIES

25th Aug	Michael MacGrath Neil Johnston Monika Giebel Lorraine Thalbourne
26th Aug	Mitchell Horn
27th Aug	Elaine Gallagher Heather Cardinali
29th Aug	Ray Thalbourne