



# Para Hills Modbury Catholic Parish

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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

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3rd May 2026  
5th Sunday of Easter, Year A - White

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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**

## **Annual Mass Counts**

Commencing this weekend we will be conducting the Annual Archdiocesan Mass Counts. These counts are used by the Archdiocese for pastoral planning and financial reporting purposes.

This year we will conduct the count as we enter the church so that our Holy Mass is not disturbed. You will be given a piece of paper and asked to identify as Male or Female and to select one of the 5 age categories.

**Please fill in 1 slip per person  
ie: do not use one slip for the whole family.**

No identifying information will be collected and all data will only be reported as an aggregate.

## Liturgy Assistants Roster

The Liturgy Assistants Roster for **July to September 2026** will be prepared shortly. If you are aware of any circumstances that will affect your availability, please let Ida Atherton know by **25th May 2026** 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 are always welcome!**

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.

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.

**Readings for Sunday 10th May 2026  
6th Sunday of Easter, Year A**

1st Reading	Acts	8:5 - 8, 14 - 17
2nd Reading	1 Pt	3:15 - 18
Gospel	Jn	14:15 - 21

**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:**

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, Yvonne Summers.

**Recently Deceased:**

Justus Houg, Thomas Nguyen, Jenny Smith, Yvette Jacqueline Musseau, Michael Walter O'Brien, Domenic Arruzzolo

**Deceased Anniversaries:  
Stan Pudelek**

**NOVENA OF THE HOLY CLOAK  
OF ST JOSEPH  
HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**



To pray for all Families,  
the Priesthood and for the  
Protection of the Unborn  
Wednesday 6th May  
The Novena and Rosary  
beginning at 6.30pm  
followed by Mass at 7pm

*"I put all my desires, cares and wishes for you in the Sacred Heart. I know it protects and guards you."*

**(St Mary of the Cross MacKillop)**

**Emergency Notice**

In the case of an emergency warning during an event in the Church or Parish Hall parishioners are asked to leave in an orderly fashion and gather at the designated emergency sign in the carpark

**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**

Two calls last week with one request for partial payment of an outstanding school invoice in addition to food and clothing; three adults and two children.

There has been a further allocation of Emergency Relief Funding that takes us through to the end of June. We're encouraged to assist people with bill payments. The requirement is an unpaid bill, of more than \$250, in the person's name and address. The biller is paid – not the billee.

With Mothers' Day coming up, the raffle and cake stall are close to fruition – in this largely cashless society, it's handy to have a dollar or two in hand to buy a ticket or cake.

**Our shortages in the pantry are  
Rice, Jam and Margarine.**

If you can help by putting any of these in the basket, or drop at the Office, it would be much appreciated.

Next Weekend



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**Mother's Day Cake Stall**

St Vincent de Paul Modbury Conference will be holding a fundraising cake stall on Saturday May 9 after 6pm Mass.

If you are able to support us with a donation of cake, biscuits or sweets etc please phone Pauline on 0413 945 602

Your contribution would be greatly appreciated.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter  
Weekends 2026**

**Marriage Encounter**

Put the spark back into your marriage by making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Our special weekend away to focus on each other is 3-5 July 2026 at the Adelaide Royal coach Hotel or you can do a live-out weekend (go home to sleep) 6-8 November 2026 at Antonio Catholic School.

Call Jo & Jon on 049 3747 478 or email [sabookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:sabookings@wwme.org.au).  
Alternatively, visit [WWME.org.au](http://WWME.org.au) and apply online today.

**LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING**

The next meeting for the Liturgy Committee will be on Wednesday 6th May at 7pm  
Please contact Therese Meyers on 0421 533 761 for details.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.**



**40hrs Adoration  
In Celebration Of The  
Diamond Jubilee Of  
Holy Trinity Church**



As we prepare our hearts for the Holy Trinity Jubilee, we warmly invite you to join our parish community for 40 hours of prayer and Adoration.

Open your heart to God in the Eucharist and allow Jesus to touch your life in a profound way.

Come and spend quiet, sacred time with Him in the Blessed Sacrament, and experience the deep peace that only He can give.

This is a special opportunity for our community to gather in faith—for Eucharistic Adoration, reparation for sins, and spiritual renewal.

All are welcome.

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 6am till 9pm on Friday 29th, Saturday 30th and Sunday 31st May.

We are also seeking volunteers to help support this sacred time. If you are able to assist in any way, please consider offering your time in Adoration and contact Linda Torres at the end of Mass at Holy Trinity church.

**Leo's Lens**

REFLECTION by Nick Brodie

Pope Leo XIV reminds us that through the paschal mystery Jesus became 'a blessing for all and forever.' In a sense, this is what Jesus calls each of us to do too. We are called to be Christ's blessing for our neighbourhoods and neighbours.

This calling is critical to our parish life. Each Sunday, the Pope says, 'we gather around Jesus', who 'encourages us' to live the great promise and precious treasure of 'living to give life!'

This being so, the Pope encourages us to listen to Jesus. 'He journeys with us, even today, to teach us', the Pope says. And what Jesus teaches is 'the logic of unconditional love.'

'Let us listen to him,' the Pope implores, 'let us enter into his light so as to become the light of the world, starting with the neighbourhood where we live. The whole life of the parish and its groups exists for this reason: it is a service to light, a service to joy.'

Each one of us, then, is called to build up our communities through 'the gaze of faith, which transfigures everything with hope, putting passion, sharing and creativity into circulation as a cure for the many wounds' we see around us.

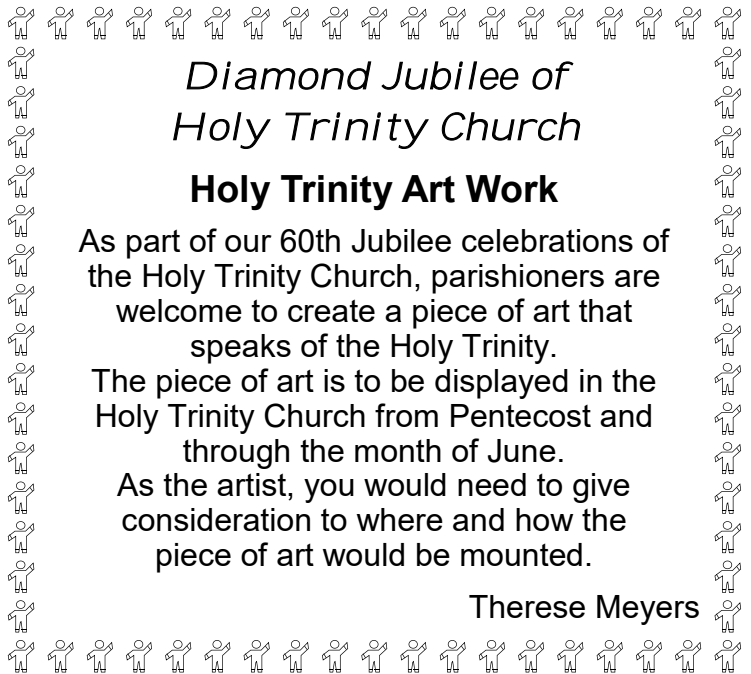
[Quotes from Pastoral Visit Homily, 1 March 2026:  
<https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/homilies/2026/documents/20260301-visita-pastorale-settore-est.html>]

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**Legion of Mary**

Please join members of the Legion of Mary in praying the Rosary Sunday 3rd May after the 10am Mass at Holy Trinity.



*Diamond Jubilee of  
Holy Trinity Church*

**Holy Trinity Art Work**

As part of our 60th Jubilee celebrations of the Holy Trinity Church, parishioners are welcome to create a piece of art that speaks of the Holy Trinity.

The piece of art is to be displayed in the Holy Trinity Church from Pentecost and through the month of June.

As the artist, you would need to give consideration to where and how the piece of art would be mounted.

Therese Meyers



**Upcoming Synod Liturgies**

**Ecumenical Taizé Prayer**

on the Eve of the Synod, Tuesday 19th May 2026, 7:30pm at St Francis Xavier Cathedral

All are welcome to join in a special ecumenical prayer service in the Taizé style. The service will include scripture, songs and reflections as we prepare for the Synod.

**Opening Mass of the 2026 Archdiocesan Synod**

Friday 29th May 2026, 5.45pm at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral  
All are welcome to join in the opening Mass of the 2026 Archdiocesan Synod.  
A simple meal in the hall will follow.

**Marian Procession 2026**

The 77th Marian Procession will be held on Sunday 17 May 2026 beginning at Victoria Park and processing up Wakefield Street into Victoria Square. The Procession will commence at 2pm and all are invited to attend.

For more information, please contact Archdiocesan Events on 8210 8220 or [events@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:events@adelaide.catholic.org.au)

**Marian Procession Volunteering**

The Archdiocesan Events Office is currently seeking volunteers to support at the Marian Procession in a range of roles. If you are available and willing to help, please contact [events@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:events@adelaide.catholic.org.au) or 8210 8220.

Volunteer roles are needed for Saturday 16th May and Sunday 17th May (which is the date of the event and begins at 2pm).

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia!**

## PRAYER MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

<b>Tue</b>	<b>5th May</b>	Reach Out	9.45am	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>6th May</b>	Devotion to St Joseph	6.30pm	<b>Holy Trinity</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>6th May</b>	Liturgy Committee	7pm	<b>Private Residence</b>
<b>Thu</b>	<b>7th May</b>	Multicultural Melodies	10am - 12noon	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>8th May</b>	Craft Group	9am - 11.45am	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>9th May</b>	Treasure Market	8am - 12noon	<b>Holy Trinity</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>9th May</b>	Legion of Mary	10am	<b>Holy Trinity</b>



### DEVELOPMENT FUND 2026

Congratulations to this week's winner

No 81, Miriam Morrison  
Drawn by Hans Woznitza  
for Tony McGarry

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

### TREASURE MARKET

Second Saturday of each month  
8am to 12 noon

Next: 9th May 2026

St John XXIII Community Centre  
Carpark Sellers \$10 – Buyers free!

All monies raised from the Market  
are donated to the Parish.

We are no longer accepting or collect goods for sale at the shed as we are overstocked and do not have any more space to store donated goods.

However, the shed will continue to operate  
as normal to sell what we have.

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, or the Vinnies shops on the corner of Grand Junction and Nelson Roads or John Steet Salisbury.

### REACH OUT MEETING

Tuesday 5th May 2026

All Reach Out Members and Friends are invited to a special Mother's Day get-together at St John XXIII Centre after the 9.15am Mass.

Please come prepared to share  
special stories about Mothers.

Tea and coffee will be available to enjoy  
as we discuss our life experiences  
as mothers, or those of our own mothers and  
grandmothers, whether interesting, humorous,  
sentimental or otherwise.

You are most welcome to bring along your  
favourite memories, quotes, poems,  
photos and special prayers about mothers.

It will be so lovely to share this reflective  
exchange that will focus on such a heartfelt topic  
just before Mother's Day.

Maureen Kenny  
Reach Out President  
0418 821 859

### Questions of Divorce and Remarriage Interdiocesan Tribunal of Adelaide

In 2015, Pope Francis wrote "charity and mercy demand that the Church, like a good mother, be near her children who feel themselves estranged from her."

The Interdiocesan Tribunal of Adelaide is a service of the Church to assist with the pastoral care of Catholics and non-Catholics who are civilly divorced, and who are seeking to remarry or who want clarification of their standing in the Church. The Tribunal also assists remarried persons seeking to have their current marriage recognised in the Church, as well as remarried persons wishing to be baptised or received in the Catholic Church.

Any divorced person, or a divorced and remarried person is welcome to contact the Adelaide office of the Tribunal to obtain further information, or to have their status within the Church clarified.

The office is open Monday to Friday  
and you are welcome to contact the Tribunal on

P: 8210 8225 or

[tribunal@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:tribunal@adelaide.catholic.org.au)

### 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.

**Parish Finance Council**

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY MAY BABIES

3rd May	Nikki Woodlands
8th May	Sandra Vella
9th May	Josephine Fenech



### 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)