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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
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10th May 2026
6th 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**

60th Anniversary Celebration of Holy Trinity Church 31st May 2026

*All present and past parishioners are invited to the
60TH Anniversary celebration of Holy Trinity Church
on Sunday the 31st May 2026*

*At Holy Trinity Church, Para Hills
Beginning with Mass at 10am*

and a light luncheon in the hall afterwards.

A Mothers' Day Prayer

Loving God, we pray:
for new mothers, coming to terms with new responsibility;
for expectant mothers, wondering and waiting;
for those who are tired, stressed or depressed;
for those who struggle to balance the tasks of work and family;
for those who are unable to feed their children due to poverty;
for those whose children have physical, mental or emotional disabilities;
for those who raise children on their own;
for those who have lost a child;
for those who care for the children of others;
for those whose children have left home;
and for those whose desire to be a mother has not been fulfilled.
Bless all mothers, that their love may be deep and tender,
and that they may lead their children to know and do what is good,
living not for themselves alone, but for God and for others. Amen.

*We would like to wish all Mothers a
Happy and Blessed Mother's Day*

**Readings for Sunday 17th May 2026
Ascension of the Lord, Year A**

1st Reading	Acts	1:1 - 11
2nd Reading	Eph	1:17 - 23
Gospel	Mt	28:16 - 20

Saints & Feast Days

12th May	Ss Nereus & Achilleus St Pancras
13th May	Our Lady of Fatima
14th May	St Matthias

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:

Sr Pamela Patterson RSJ, Patricia Jones



**SYNOD
2026**

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.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

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



**St Vincent de Paul
Modbury Conference**

Three calls this last week, all for food and clothing, and one for a water bill – mostly struggling with increasing rent and power costs.

Not a good sign with Winter approaching.

We'll be starting the Vinnies Winter Appeal next week, with the difficulty of fund raising in post-COVID times, your support is much more needed to support our functioning.

Please consider a donation to the Conference, envelopes can be returned through the collection plate or handed to a Vinnies member.

We'll draw the raffle after the 6pm Mass on Saturday.

Many thanks to all who contributed by way of donation, prizes and ticket buying/selling.

Outcomes in next week's Bulletin

Pantry needs this week are

Tinned Fish, Sugar, Tea Bags and Rice

if you can help.

Annual Mass Counts

In the first four weekends of May 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.

Floor Replacement at St John XXIII Church

The Parish Finance Council PFC is currently reviewing quotes for the replacement of the church floor at St John XXIII.

Parishioners will be informed as soon as the dates are confirmed. Once the work commences the church will be closed for approximately four weeks.

During this period, all Masses will be moved to Holy Trinity Church at the usual scheduled times.

We appreciate your understanding and patience as we undertake these necessary improvements to our church.

Parish Finance Council PFC

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

**The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council
is on Tuesday, the 12th May
St John XXIII at 7pm.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.



**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.

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 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!

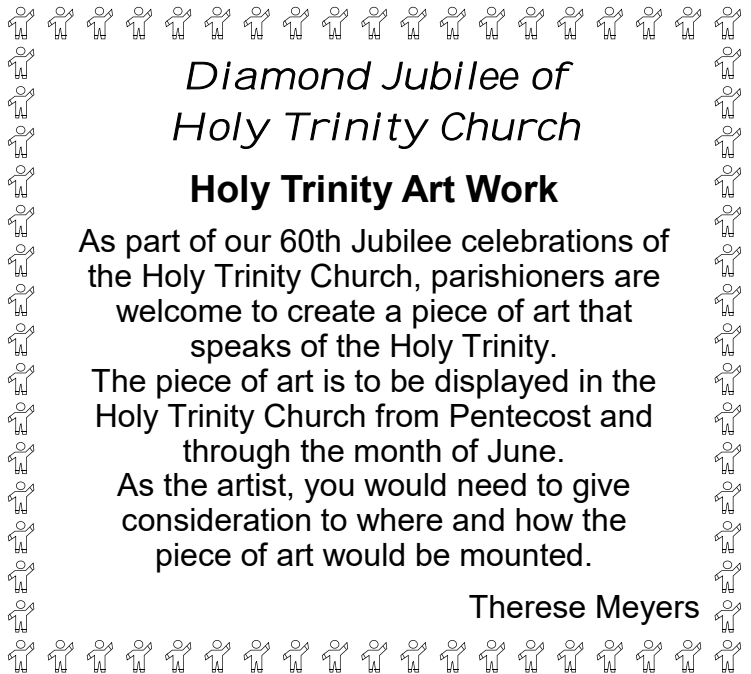
It is a very rewarding experience, does not require a lot of effort and all the necessary support will be provided by our ministry leaders.

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.

Our Parish is a Child Safe Organisation

We are a Child Safe Organisation which is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children and young people. We believe that all God's children and young people have the right to be healthy and safe, and to have their voice heard, respected and valued; A Safe Environment for all.



*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

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



Leo's Lens

Reflection by Nick Brodie

The Church, as Pope Leo XIV puts it, is called 'to be certain that the Holy Spirit guides us and teaches us all things.' Jesus calls us to 'remain in his love,' as the Pope reminds us, so that thereby 'he comes to dwell in us and our life will become a temple of God.'

Yet this indwelling of Jesus is more than a personal fuzzy feeling. 'His love enlightens us,' the Pope adds, which 'influences the way we think and act.' In our attitudes and actions, Jesus' love 'spreads outwards to others and embraces every situation in our lives.'

'This dwelling of God within us,' the Pope continues, 'is precisely the gift of the Holy Spirit, who takes us by the hand and enables us to experience God's presence and closeness amid our daily lives, for he makes us his home.' With that great mystery in mind, the Pope implores us to 'walk in the joy born of faith, in order to become a holy temple of the Lord.'

'Let us resolve to bring his love everywhere,' the Pope encourages us, 'never forgetting that each of our sisters and brothers is a dwelling place of God and that his presence is manifested above all in the little ones, in the poor and the suffering.'

[Quotes from Regina Caeli, 25 May 2025: <https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/angelus/2025/documents/20250525-regina-caeli.html>]

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

PRAYER MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Tue	12th May	Parish Pastoral Council	7pm	St John XXIII
Thu	14th May	St Vincent de Paul	4pm	St John XXIII
Fri	15th May	Craft Group	9am - 11.45am	St John XXIII
Sat	16th May	Legion of Mary	10am	Holy Trinity



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2026

Congratulations to this week's winner

No 38, John McGee
Drawn by Barbara Sorrell
for Miriam Morrison

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

**Feast Day of St Charles Lwanga,
St Kizito & Companions
Celebration – Sunday -June 7, 2026 –
All are Welcome!**

You are invited to join the African Catholic Community to celebrate the feast of St Charles Lwanga, St Kizito & Companions

Mass - on Sunday 7 June 2026 at 2.30pm, at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral. All are welcome. St Charles Lwanga (24) is the Patron Saint of Youth and St Kizito (14) is the Patron Saint of Primary School Students!

Attention: Young People: Please come to this Mass and feel free to wear Yellow Red or Green – colours to embrace both of these amazingly brave and courageous saints.

For more information, please contact the Justice Healing and Inclusion Office on
E: jhi@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

Parish Bulletin

If you would like to receive the bulletin via email please contact us at:
bulletin@paramodcath.com.au

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MAY BABIES

11th May Elizabeth Lumsden
Caroline Augustyn
13th May Nigel Lambert
14th May Kylie Air



**Worldwide Marriage Encounter
Weekends 2026**

Add some sparkle to your marriage

Your marriage relationship is a most precious jewel but after a few years it can need a polish to regain its sparkle. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend has the power to revitalise your relationship and reconnect you with your spouse and with God. Learn new communication skills and simple ways to keep your relationship a priority.

Our next live-in Weekend is scheduled for 3-5 July at Adelaide Royal Coach Hotel or book onto our weekend at Antonio Catholic School 6-8 November 2026 where you sleep at home.

Call Jo & Jon on 049 3747 478 or email sabookings@wwme.org.au.
Alternatively, visit WWME.org.au and apply online today.

Birthline Pregnancy Support

We're here to listen—without pressure or judgment.

If you are facing an unplanned pregnancy or seeking support after an abortion, you don't have to go through it alone.

Our trained counsellors offer a safe, confidential space to talk at your own pace. Whatever you're carrying, you will be met with care, compassion, and respect.

Reach out today—you'll be heard.

Call **1300 655 156** | website: <https://birthline.org.au>

SAFETY/SECURITY NOTE

If you are the last person to leave the church/hall at St John XXIII or Holy Trinity please make sure that,

- All lights, fans, air conditioners & sound systems are switched off.
- Windows are shut
- Doors are locked.

Also, for your own safety, if you are in either of the Churches or Hall at Holy Trinity and you are by yourself please keep the door locked.



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