



PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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1st Sunday of Advent—Year B Violet

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**CHILDREN'S LITURGY
CELEBRATED AT 6PM &
10AM MASSES.**

BAPTISMS

Celebrated EITHER during the
6pm, 8am & 10 am Masses on
the 2nd Sun of the month OR
11.30am at Holy Trinity
12noon at John XXIII
(Alternately on 4th Sun)
Bookings to be made through
the Parish Office, OR ON OUR
WEBSITE

MARRIAGES

By appointment only

REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St Francis Xavier's
(Primary) 8251 9500
Carignane St,
Wynn Vale 5127

Gleeson College
(Secondary) 8282 6600
40-60 Surrey Farm Drive,
Golden Grove 5125

**We acknowledge the Kurna people as the custodians of this region.
Let us share and learn together for reconciliation and justice.**

ST JOHN XXIII

Hope Valley

Monday 9.15am

Tuesday 9.15am

Saturday 6pm

Sunday 8am

MASS TIMES



**MODBURY HOSPITAL
THURSDAY MASS 11am**

HOLY TRINITY

Para Hills

Wednesday 7pm

Friday 9.15am

(Adoration Before Friday
Mass commencing 8.30am)

Saturday 9.15am

Sunday 10am

Prayer Meetings and Devotions

Reconciliation (Confession) Saturdays

after 9.15am Mass at Holy Trinity and at 5.30pm at St John XXIII

Mon	30th Nov	Legion of Mary (Junior) & R.E	4 pm - 5pm	Holy Trinity
Tue	1st Dec	Legion of Mary	12.30pm	Holy Trinity
Wed	2nd Dec	Holy Cloak of St Joseph	6.30pm	Holy Trinity
Thu	3rd Dec	Christian Meditation	2pm	St John XXIII
Fri	4th Dec	Holy Hour	3pm - 4pm	Holy Trinity
		Two Hearts	8pm - 4am with	
			9pm Mass	Holy Trinity
Sat	5th Dec	Sacramental Workshop	4pm	St John XXIII

Thank You

Fr Manu and the Craft Market Committee would like to thank everyone who came along and supported our major Annual Fundraising Craft Event.

This year we raised an amazing \$7500, after expenses, and managed to create a warm and wonderful Community Event. We owe our success to the generous support of our magnificent office staff who worked tirelessly, Volunteers who came from our Parish, the Craft Group and some from neighbouring Parishes, who assisted on stalls, and on the before and after set-ups. We want to also thank those who generously donated Cakes, Plants, Produce, Second-hand books, Bric-a-Brac, Vintage clothing and those who cooked and donated food for our International Food Market. We completely sold out of all cooked food & Devonshire Tea. This year we approached two local supermarkets for donations to keep our costs down.

Woolworths at Para Hills

generously donated \$40, which went towards our Devonshire tea provisions.

Drakes Foodland at Clovercrest Shopping Centre

filled our remaining shopping list at no charge.

Thank you so very much to both Supermarkets for contributing to our very successful day. The breakdown of income from the Parish stalls are as follows:

Devonshire Tea \$839, Cake stalls (2) \$1154, Plant stall \$791, Produce stall \$473, Raffle \$374, BBQ & Drinks \$620, Kitchen Hot Food \$689, Bric-a-Brac \$422, Books (2) \$413, Donations \$150 and Stall holders Table Hire \$1575.

Again, **Thank You** everyone

Craft Market Committee



OTHER ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Mon 30th Nov	Bowls, 1pm - 3.30pm	St John XXIII
Tue 1st Dec	Reach Out, 9.45am	St John XXIII
Wed 2nd Dec	Seniors Social Club, 1pm - 3.30pm	Holy Trinity
Fri 4th Dec	Craft, 9.30am-12pm	St John XXIII
Sun 6th Dec	Volunteers BBQ, 5pm	Holy Trinity

Readings for 6th December, 2015
1st Reading: Baruch 5:1-9
2nd Reading: Phil 1:4-6, 8-11
Gospel: Lk 3:1-6

Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

30th St Andrew, Apostle
3rd St Francis Xavier
4th St John Damascene

The Blessing of the Crib



If you would like your Crib blessed please bring it along to Mass next weekend.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve - Thursday 24th December

6.30pm - Children's Family Mass at Holy Trinity

8.30pm - Mass at St John XXIII

MIDNIGHT MASS at St John XXIII

Christmas Day - Friday 25th December

9am Mass at St John XXIII

9am Mass at Holy Trinity

Our Community's Prayer Petitions

PLEASE NOTE: THE NAMES ON THE SICK LIST WILL REMAIN FOR TWO MONTHS ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTIFIED.

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, especially:**

Jayden Lee, Jo Phillips, Madeleine Groves, Elizabeth Lorraine, Audrey Athayde, Phyllis Anthony, John Martin, Marie Boulton, Sr. Marleen Dewar OLSH, Kevin Harriot, Kay Kennedy, Gaetana Grima, Ursula Spencer, Fiona Power, Elizabeth Meikle, Rita Robinson, Cathy Sharkey, Pauline Fuller, Eileen Ryan, Gary Lockyer, Yvonne Summers, Darcy Ridley, Marie Bakaj, Jennifer Francou, Regan Barry, John Cherry, Dudley Dolman, Fr. Michael Walsh, Pat Feutrill, Paul Holmes, Michael Lochhead, Margaret Scott, Christopher Malone.

Recently Deceased

Margaret Mullarkey, Aldo Pugliese.

BOOKINGS FOR 2016 DIARY

DATES IN THE PARISH

Please send in your Diary Dates for 2016 to the Parish Office,

NO LATER THAN 11TH DECEMBER.

Parish Groups who do not send in their dates for 2016 will NOT be booked in the Diary.

Thank you to all the groups who have sent their diary dates in to me so far.

You can send by email or drop into the Parish Office.

Email: paramodcath@adam.com.au

Thank you.

Jill Brokensha Parish Secretary

NOVENA OF THE HOLY CLOAK OF ST JOSEPH



To pray for all Families, the Priesthood and for the Protection of the Unborn Wednesday 2nd December, The Novena and Rosary beginning at 6.30pm followed by Mass at 7pm, concluding with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction.

"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)

Anointing of the Sick

We will have the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at all Masses, on 12th & 13th December. Parishioners, 65 years and upwards would be prime candidates but obviously younger people who may have health issues, be they physical, emotional etc., may like to present themselves also.

So if you are younger and there is nothing really of concern, you don't need to receive the Sacrament of Anointing at present.

If there are people at home who require anointing but not able to attend, please call the office to arrange a visit from Fr Manu.

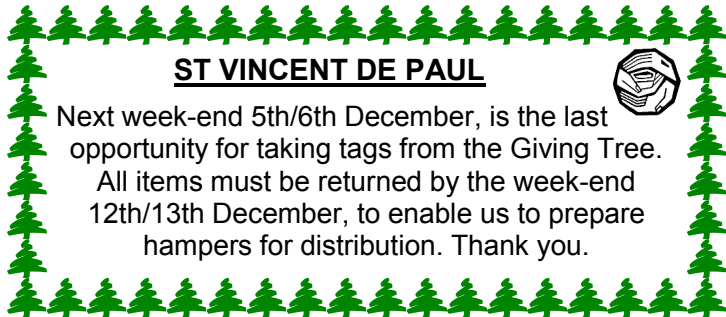
CHURCH FLOWERS

There will be no flowers during the Season of Advent. All donations will go towards the Christmas arrangements. We take this opportunity to thank all those who loyally contributed money during the year. A special thank you to Anne Craig and Grace Healey for their contribution of flowers during 2015.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL
 HQ: 1300 729 202 from 9.00 — 1.00pm
 or www.vinnies.org.au



ST VINCENT DE PAUL



Next week-end 5th/6th December, is the last opportunity for taking tags from the Giving Tree. All items must be returned by the week-end 12th/13th December, to enable us to prepare hampers for distribution. Thank you.

REACH OUT GROUP

Tuesday 1st December, 2015,
 Mass 9.15am at St John XXIII

Reader: Neil H
 Offertory: Judy & Ian D
 Communion: Beulah & Mary Matner
 Altar Server: Pat H.

INVITATION TO ALL OUR PARISH VOLUNTEERS

We are holding a special BBQ for all our Volunteers of the Parish at Holy Trinity Church on Sunday 6th December at 5pm. The Masses that weekend will be dedicated to our Volunteers.



Please sign your name on the sign up sheets at the back of both churches.

Little Blue Book

Little Blue Books are once more available and will be sold at both Mass Centers this weekend for \$ 4-00.

They are also available at the Parish Office during the week. For all enquiries please contact Pauline Lai on 8264 7590.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

This week-end is the official time for the St. Vincent de Paul Christmas appeal. You will find envelopes on the chairs or at the back of the Church. Please place any donations on the 2nd collection plate any time between now and Christmas. Please fill in your details on the envelope if a receipt is required. Thank-you for your generosity. God Bless.



COME AND HAVE A CUPPA AFTER MASS



There will be a cuppa after the 6pm Mass on the 28th November at St John XXIII. Cuppa will be after 8am on the 29th November at St John XXIII & after the 10am Mass at Holy Trinity on the 29th November.

FIRST SATURDAY MASS



December 5th 2015, 9.15am

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Holy Rosary for PEACE in the world. Commencing at 8.45am with Acts of Consecration, to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary with the Sacrament of Penance. Please bring a SINGLE flower for Our Holy Mother

*"In the end my Immaculate Heart will triumph"
 (Our Lady of Fatima 1917)*

Christmas Eve Children's Mass

**6.30pm at the Holy Trinity Church
 3 James Street Para Hills.**

We need your help, we need the following: Mary, Joseph, Angels, Innkeeper, Three Wise People, Shepherds, a sheep and a cow and a Children's Choir

Please place your name on the sheet located on the table, if you are interested.

Practice dates & times:

7th December, Holy Trinity Church from 4 to 5pm
 During school holidays at 2pm, Holy Trinity Church followed by a Christmas Party until 5pm on the 14th December
 Last practice on the 21st December at 2pm – Dress rehearsal



FEEDBACK FOR CRAFT MARKET

**The Craft Market Committee and Church Stall Co-ordinators Meeting
 1st December at 7pm at St John XXIII Church**
 We would like feedback concerning our Craft Market from Parishioners. Any comments you wish to make, sent by email or written comments can be dropped into the Parish Office on Tuesday 1st December between 9am and 2pm.
 Email: paramodcath@adam.com.au



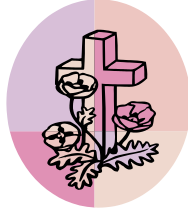
DEVELOPMENT FUND 2015

Congratulations Anne Cooper
 No 3

Drawn by Alec Balayance
 Contact: Marg Dolman 8264 1317
 to be included in the draw.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Lord, show us your mercy and love,
 and grant us your salvation.**

November - The Month of Remembrance



November is the month when we as the Church remember those of our family, friends and parishioners who have died.

We especially remember those who have gone to their heavenly reward this past year.

During November Fr Manu, Fr Jack and Fr Peter will pray and offer up intentions for the beloved deceased family and friends of:

M. Brady.

"It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be freed from their sins." 11 Machabees 12:46

FAREWELL TO OUR LONG TIME PARISHIONERS

Doreen and Claude Mills are moving to Sunbury in Victoria to be near their family. They have been in our Parish for about 43 years.

This coming weekend will be their last one in the Parish we thank them for all their contributions to the Parish over the years.

We wish them all the best and God's Blessing.

COLUMBAN CALENDAR

The 2016 Columban Calendar is now available from the Parish Office & at weekend Masses for only \$9.00.

THIS WILL BE A LOVELY CHRISTMAS PRESENT TO GIVE TO FAMILY OR FRIENDS.

When you purchase the calendar, you are participating in God's Mission and assisting Columbans in meeting the needs of the poor.

FATHER MANU'S GARDEN FENCE

6 strong people wanted (men most likely)

On: Sat 5th December,

Time: 8am to 10am

To shift the Presbytery fence in one hit, for Father's garden.

If you can stay till 12 to put back some pieces and install the extended side it will be welcomed.

It will help if you have drills for the screws.

Contact Ray Zielonka

0407 846 400 to be included in the crew



ST JOHN XXIII ROOF FUND TOTAL



We have so far reached the total of

\$23,878.92

Balance needed \$6,123.08

Happy Birthday December Babies

2nd Mark Ager
4th John Dini (Junior)
5th Delice Regan



TO ALL LITURGY ASSISTANTS

Should you intend being absent/away from the Parish during the months of January and/or February 2016, please contact the Liturgy Assistants' Roster Organisers, Greg and Leonie Dew **on or before** Sunday 29th November, 2015 to advise them of the dates of your absence.

"If we do not hear from you by then we shall presume you will be able to fulfil your Ministry if/when Rostered on during those months".

KIDS CORNER

We have now entered into a new liturgical season and a new liturgical year. This is the season of **ADVENT** and it is time of waiting and preparing for Christmas. The colours on the Altar will be purple now until Christmas. The Priests vestments will also be purple. We use this time as a Church to prepare ourselves, our minds and hearts for the coming of Jesus. How do you prepare for Christmas? What can we do better to show others the love of Jesus? In the Gospel Jesus tells us what we must do to share in his life forever. Starting from December 1st think of something each day that you can do better leading up to Christmas. It could be to remember your daily prayers; it could be not to forget to ask mum and dad what you could do for them. Helping your teacher at school, these are a few suggestions.



Prayer:

Lord Jesus, help us to get ready to greet you at Christmas and help us to understand the true meaning of Christmas.

Amen.



Joy of the Gospel

Daily Gospel Reflections 2016 by Missionaries of St Francis de Sales (MSFS) \$10.00 each.

Please contact office or Fr Manu on: 8264 7590 if you wish to purchase a copy.

CHUCKLE CORNER

A Sunday school teacher asks her children on the way to Mass, why is it necessary to be quiet in Church? One little girl replied:

Because people are sleeping!!

