



PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe-Year C White

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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
MASS THURSDAY 11am**

**HOLY TRINITY
Para Hills**

**Wednesday 7pm
Friday 9.15am
(Adoration Before Friday
Mass commencing 8.30am)
Saturday 9.15am
Sunday 10am**

RENEWING PARISHES

Some Key Characteristics of a Healthy, Vibrant, Renewing Parish

The parish is not an outdated institution; precisely because it possesses great flexibility, it can assume quite different contours depending on the openness and missionary creativity of the pastor and the community. While certainly not the only institution which evangelizes, if the parish proves capable of self-renewal and constant adaptivity, it continues to be "the Church living in the midst of the homes of her sons and daughters". This presumes that it really is in contact with the homes and the lives of its people, and does not become a useless structure out of touch with people or a self-absorbed group made up of a chosen few. The parish is the presence of the Church in a given territory, an environment for hearing God's word, for growth in the Christian life, for dialogue, proclamation, charitable outreach, worship and celebration. In all its activities the parish encourages and trains its members to be evangelizers. It is a community of communities, a sanctuary where the thirsty come to drink in the midst of their journey, and a centre of constant missionary outreach. We must admit, though, that the call to review and renew our parishes has not sufficed to bring them nearer to people, to make them environments of living communion and participation, and to make them completely mission-oriented.

(Pope Francis, *The Joy of the Gospel*, par. 28)

Building on the Second Vatican Council, Pope Francis calls us to the renewal of our parishes and communities. What is said below of parishes is meant to apply as well to all Eucharistic communities in our archdiocese, including Aboriginal and multicultural communities. It also applies to parish schools and to other Catholic schools in ways that are appropriate to their different contexts. The following are some key characteristics of parishes in the process of renewal:

The parish is a community in which each member is called to a personal relationship with Jesus. The parish is directed towards discipleship, and understands itself as a community of disciples, and as a school of discipleship. It is a place of prayer and of formation that enables parishioners to embrace what the Second Vatican Council termed the universal call to holiness. Each of the baptised is seen as having a gift of the Spirit given for the sake of all.

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**Each one is different but all are participants:
“To each is given a manifestation of the Spirit
for the common good” (1 Cor 12:7)**

Our parishes, schools and communities will need to be places where members can learn to pray, to know and understand the Scriptures, and our Catholic tradition. They are places where we learn to discern and to use our gifts in the cause of the kingdom of God in our world. All are involved in evangelisation, bringing the gospel of joy to the world.

(TO BE CONTINUED OVER THE COMING WEEKS)

Did we Celebrate God’s Mercy?

“Our only hope, our only confidence, our only assured promise, Lord, is Your Mercy”, said St. Augustine. “Mercy is what makes God perfect and all-powerful”, Pope Francis said in his document officially proclaiming the 2015-2016 extraordinary Holy Year of Mercy. The purpose of the celebration of the Year of Mercy in the Church was spelt out very well by Pope Francis in *Misericordiae Vultus*, Bull of Indiction of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy where he says: “We need constantly to contemplate the mystery of mercy. It is a wellspring of joy, serenity, and peace. Our salvation depends on it. Mercy: the word reveals the very mystery of the Most Holy Trinity. Mercy: the ultimate and supreme act by which God comes to meet us. Mercy: the fundamental law that dwells in the heart of every person who looks sincerely into the eyes of his brothers and sisters on the path of life. Mercy: the bridge that connects God and man, opening our hearts to the hope of being loved forever despite our sinfulness. At times, we are called to gaze even more attentively on mercy so that we may become a more effective sign of the Father’s action in our lives. For this reason, I have proclaimed an Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy as a special time for the Church, a time when the witness of believers might grow stronger and more effective.” Now as we conclude the Jubilee year of Mercy let us reflect: Have we accepted God’s invitation to celebrate and practice Mercy? One way the Church celebrated God’s mercy throughout the year was through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Did I utilise the opportunity to go for the Sacrament of Reconciliation? Finding time for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and participating in the Eucharistic celebrations are other good ways to receive Divine Mercy. Have I made sincere efforts to frequent Eucharistic celebrations and adorations? Then above all, we need to always keep in mind the Gospel command, “Be Merciful, just as your Father is Merciful.” It demands that we show Mercy to our fellow human beings always and everywhere. We radiate God’s Mercy to others by our actions, our words, and our prayers. It is mainly through the corporal and spiritual works of mercy that we practice Mercy in our daily lives and become eligible for God’s Merciful judgment. Thus, as we conclude the Year of Mercy, let us approach God who is Merciful with humble hearts and then pass on the experience of “God’s Mercy” to others by the way we relate to them.

Fr. Manu Kumbidiyamackal MSFS

Readings for 27th November 2016

1st Reading :Isaiah 2:1-5

2nd Reading :Romans 13:11-14

Gospel :Matthew 24:37-44

Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

21st	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
22nd	St Cecilia
23rd	St Columban, St Clement
24th	St Andrew Dũng-Lạc & Companions
25th	St Catherine of Alexandria

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:

Paige Brokensha, Myles Mahony, Betty Roper, Les Ost, Imperia De ionno, Julie Reimann, Wayne Collins, Imelda Schulz, Maddison Calleja, Janice Forrester, Ray Zielonka, Ann Stanton, Jim Marlow, Marie Canavan, Gerry Canavan, Jayden Lee, Audrey Athayde, Phyllis Anthony, John Martin, Marie Boulton, Sr. Marleen Dewar OLSH, Kay Kennedy, Gaetana Grima, Fiona Power, Rita Robinson, 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.

Recently Deceased

Trevor Oldman, Moira Murphy, Esther Casha, Maria Neuhaus.

Prayer Meetings and Devotions

**Reconciliation (Confession) Saturdays
after 9.15am Mass at Holy Trinity and at 5.30pm at
St John XXIII**

Mon	21st Nov	Legion of Mary (Jnr) & R.E. 4pm - 5pm	Holy Trinity
Tue	22nd Nov	Legion of Mary 12.30pm - 2pm	Holy Trinity
Thurs	24th Nov	Christian Meditation 2pm - 3pm	St John XXIII
Fri	25th Nov	Holy Hour 3pm - 4pm	Holy Trinity
Sun	27th Nov	Divine Mercy 3pm	Holy Trinity

OTHER ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Mon	21st Nov	Bowls 1pm - 3.30pm	St John XXIII
Tue	22nd Nov	Reach Out 9.45am	St John XXIII
Wed	23rd Nov	Seniors’ Social Club 1pm - 3pm Beer/Wine/Port	Holy Trinity
Fri	25th Nov	Craft Group 7.30pm 9.30am - 12 noon	St John XXIII
Sun	27th Nov	Ukelele Concert 6pm—10pm DVD Library 11am	St John XXIII Holy Trinity

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.



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

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL
 CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE, 2016**

The Giving Tree is now in the foyer. Each tag states an item that will be needed to make up a Hamper or Gift.

We ask you **NOT** to wrap any items.
 Cash donations can be placed in the 2nd collection plate

REACH OUT GROUP

Tuesday, 22nd November, 2016
 9.15am Mass at St John XXIII

Reader: Jos
 Offertory: Raphael & Irene
 Communion: Maureen F & Pat H
 Altar Server: Cathy D.

All Welcome



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2016

Congratulations Mary Mattner
 No. 109

Drawn by Dudley Dolman for Tony McGarry

Contact: Marg Dolman 8264 1317
 to be included in the draw.

Happy Birthday November Babies

17th Gavin Ball
 22nd Amanda Lumsden
 23rd Helen Lineage, Bruce Uern
 25th Rocco Marafioti, David Marafioti



**Advanced Notice to all
 Groups in the Parish**

Please send in your Diary Dates for 2017
 as soon as possible. You can
 either send by email or drop off the
 information into the Parish Office.

Thank you

Email: paramodcath@adam.com.au

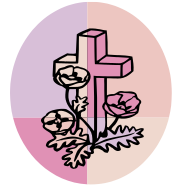
Jill Brokensha Parish Secretary



**St Joseph's devotion will not be
 on this month, but will resume
 on Wednesday 7th December**

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:

Greg & Leonie Dew, Tilley & Lucas Families,
 Slowiak & Grygierczyk Families, Julie & Philip Gowland
 Kath & Lawrie Hampton, Trotta Family, V & A Mervart,
 Anne-Michelle Howell, Margaret Scott, Pat & Jim Bacon.

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

If you wish to have a Mass said for your deceased relatives and friends during the month of November, please fill in the envelopes in your planned giving pack and place in the collection plate at Mass or drop off to the Parish Office.

If you do not have a pack of envelopes there are spare envelopes in both foyers to use for November Masses.

TO ALL LITURGY ASSISTANTS

Should you intend being absent/away from the Parish during the months of January and/or February 2017, please contact the Liturgy Assistants' Roster Organisers, Greg and Leonie Dew **on** or **before** Sunday 27th November, 2016 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".

Greg & Leonie Dew

Volunteers Weekend Dinner /BBQ

Advanced Notice

We will be holding a BBQ to show our appreciation for all the wonderful work our many volunteers do within the Parish. Please come along on Sunday 4th December 2016 at 5pm in the Holy Trinity Church Hall. All Masses on the weekend of the 3rd/4th December will be dedicated to our Volunteers.



KIDS CORNER

Dear Lord Jesus King of kings we pray that we should never laugh at others that are in pain or suffering.

Grant us the grace Lord, that we will instill your love and Mercy in our daily lives.

Amen



**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father,
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

BEER WINE PORT GROUP

Beer Wine Port Group's next meeting/tasting is this coming Wednesday, 23rd November at 7.30pm in the St John XXIII Mass Centre Meeting Room at Hope Valley.

All welcome to join us in tasting wines from the wonderful Coonawarra.

Please **BYO** tasting glass.

Peter Lynn from Majella Wines in the Coonawarra will be our Guest Speaker.

Book now for our annual Christmas breakfast which will be on Sunday 4th December at

Caffe Primo, Firlle Plaza,
151-161 Glynburn Road, Firlle
from 10am onwards.

For all information on BWP activities, including Bus Trips, Dinners, Cruises etc. please contact Greg Dew on 8265 1566 or 0411 774 510.

Little Blue Book

A few Little Blue Books available at Holy Trinity Church for \$ 4-00.

LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR FAITH

- Lives of the Saints
- Papal Encyclicals & Letters
- Teachings of the Magisterium
- Insights in the Gospels of Mark, John etc.
- How to read the Bible
- Does the Church still teach that?
- The persecuted Church
- Pilgrimages
- A Catholic perspective of World News
DVD Library every 3rd Sunday
of the month at Holy Trinity.

The Library will be open on—20th November after 10AM MASS.

PLEASE NOTE

The library will be closed for December and will reopen in January 2017.

Please take extra DVD'S

**WE ARE ALL CALLED TO HOLINESS -
DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE**

ALBERTON SUPPER CLUB

It is our final get together for the year and everyone is invited on Monday the 21st of November to attend our Christmas get together at the Alberton Hotel, Port Road, Alberton at 6pm. We will have our meal as usual followed by a fun and games night with lots of prizes to be won. Each person attending will receive a small gift from Father Christmas. If you would like to be involved in Kris Kringle we ask you to bring a gift to put under the Tree and please mark it male or female. We suggest the gift be no more than \$10.00 in value. If you would like more information Please phone: Judy Hoffman on 8261 1603. To book a table please phone the hotel on 84471069

PLEASE NOTE

There will be no flowers during Advent, all donations will go towards the Christmas arrangements. We take this opportunity to thank those who donated towards the flowers during the year to beautify our church.

UKES4 CHARITY CABARET CONCERT

Sponsored by the Modbury Art & Crafts all funds raised will be given towards Mother Teresa's children home in India.

Date: Friday 25th November

Time: 7pm to 9.30pm

Place: St John XXIII Mass Centre,
50 Reservoir Road, Hope Valley

Cost: \$5 each

BYO Drinks & Nibbles.

Tickets are available from

St John XXIII Mass Centre,

50 Reservoir Road, Hope Valley

Between 9am—12 noon on

Friday Morning or for Group Booking please

contact Jake or Jackie on: 8265 1958

and please leave a short message and your contact details

GET IN EARLY TO PICK YOUR TABLE

STAY FOR A CUPPA

We will be having a cuppa after all Masses on 26th & 27th November. Please join us.



Thank You to our wonderful volunteers who have been helping out during the year with our Cuppa after Masses. This will be the last Cuppa for the year.



CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

'Christ Makes All Things New'

Venue: Tea Tree Gully Uniting Church
592—600 Milne Road, Banksia Park

Date: Thursday 24th to Saturday
26th November

Time: Thursday & Friday
9.30am—8.00pm

Saturday 9.30am-6.00pm

Entry Fee: \$2 Donation, Children under 12 free

A joint—presentation by churches of Tea Tree Gully, in support of local Pastoral Care Workers (PCW's)