



# PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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## Holy Trinity Church

3 James Street, Para Hills 5096

## St John XXIII Church

50 Reservoir Rd, Hope Valley 5090

**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 St 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

## Parish Child Protection Officer

Therese Meyers 0421 533 761

19th August 2018  
20th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME YEAR B - 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.

**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 5.30pm at St John XXIII

Mon	20th Aug	Legion of Mary Jnr & R.E.	4pm	Holy Trinity
Tue	21st Aug	Legion of Mary	12.30pm - 2pm	Holy Trinity
Thur	23rd Aug	Christian Meditation	2pm	St John XXIII
Thur	23rd Aug	Legion of Mary	6.30pm	23 Carruthers Dr Modbury North
Sun	26th Aug	Divine Mercy	3pm	Holy Trinity

## OTHER ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Mon	20th Aug	Bowls	1pm	St John XXIII
Tue	21st Aug	Reach Out	9.45am	St John XXIII
Wed	22nd Aug	Seniors Social Club	12.30pm - 3.30pm	Holy Trinity
Wed	22nd Aug	Beer, Wine & Port	7.30pm	St John XXIII
Fri	24th Aug	Craft Group	9.30am - 12pm	St John XXIII
Sat	25th Aug	Community Garden	9.30am - 12pm	St John XXIII

## Migrant and Refugee Sunday

Migrant and Refugee Sunday will be celebrated at all  
Masses on the weekend of 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> August.



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We would like to invite members of our Parish  
Community to wear their national dress on this  
day as a way of recognising and celebrating the  
diversity of our Community.

As prayers are read in a language other than  
English they will be projected on the screen in  
English.

We are also asking members of our Parish  
Community to bring in items that represent their  
cultural homeland and could be used to  
decorate the Church. Such items should be  
brought to the Mass you are attending at least  
30 mins before Mass.

### Nourished by the Body and Blood of Christ

"How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" This was the big dilemma of the Jews who were listening to Jesus. This is the same question that more and more people are asking until now. The early Christians were considered as criminals by the Roman authorities. One serious accusation against the Christians was that they were eating human flesh; they were cannibals! Trying to answer the question "how" is simply pointless. If we profess that Jesus is God, then we have no reason to doubt what he said. He can do anything that he said. There is nothing impossible with him. The teaching of Jesus, therefore, on the Eucharist is not a matter of finding an empirical proof that will explain it; rather, it is a matter of faith. For a person who does not have faith, this teaching is preposterous and totally unacceptable. But for a person who has faith, this teaching is truly credible: it is Jesus Christ himself that we receive in Holy Communion.

We all have received the gift of faith in Baptism. But why do many Catholics continue to have doubts about the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist? Let me propose two answers: First, it could be due to our lack of knowledge and understanding of the teachings of Jesus and of the Church. Many Catholics do not have time and interest to study our faith, to read the Bible and to learn the Catechism of the Catholic Church. When another idea comes out that seeks to undermine our faith, we easily find it attractive and begin to question our faith. Such is the case with the Eucharist. We hear some people say it cannot be the real presence of Christ; that it is only a symbolic presence. And many of us begin to doubt the teaching of Jesus and ask: "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"

The second reason is lack of proper and serious preparation to receive the Eucharist. We need a lot of external and internal preparation to receive holy Eucharist in a worthy manner.

Without this preparation, we are receiving Holy Communion unworthily, and thereby making ourselves vulnerable to the attacks of doubts and sins against faith.

Our mind should be focused on the Lord and on the entire celebration. We should put ourselves in the proper disposition of internal silence and prayer. And most importantly, we must be in the state of grace. Otherwise, as St. Paul warns us in his First Letter to the Corinthians (11:29), when we receive Holy Communion without being in the state of grace, we receive condemnation and judgment instead of grace and salvation. It is, therefore, important that every time we are aware that we are not in the state of grace, we should first approach the sacrament of Confession before receiving Holy Communion.

In his book, "The Feast of faith", Pope Benedict XVI asked: "Yet do we not feel a slight uneasiness at times in the face of an entire congregation coming to Communion?" While it is true that we are all encouraged to receive communion during the Mass, we also observe that only a few people go to Confession. Sadly, the Pope remarked: "Occasionally, one has the feeling that 'communion' is regarded as part of the ritual; that it goes on automatically and is simply an expression of the community's identity...By going to Communion without 'discernment' (1Cor 11:29), we fail to reach the heights of what is taking place in Communion; we reduce the Lord's gift to the level of everyday ordinariness and manipulation."

Some would argue that going to Mass without receiving Communion, one is not able to have full participation in the Eucharistic celebration. Again, the Pope answers this: "We need to regain a much stronger awareness that the Eucharist does not lose all its meaning where people do not receive Communion. The Eucharist is not a ritual meal; it is the shared prayer of the Church, in which the Lord prays together with us and gives us himself. Therefore, it remains something great and precious; it remains a true gift, even when we cannot go to Communion."

Let this silent prayer of the priest before receiving Communion be ours also: "May the receiving of your Body and Blood, Lord Jesus Christ, not bring me to judgment and condemnation, but through your loving mercy be for me protection in mind and body and a healing"

*Janu Kumudramalakal*

### Readings for 26th AUGUST 2018

**1st Reading** Joshua 24: 1 - 2.15 - 18

**2nd Reading** Ephesians 5: 21 - 32

**Gospel** John 6: 60 - 69

### Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

20th	St Bernard
21st	St Pius X
22nd	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
23rd	St Rose of Lima
24th	St Bartholomew, Apostle
25th	St Louis, St Joseph Calasanz

### 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:**

Marg Dolman, Charlotte Fussell, Selena (Rose) Quinn, Michael Valentine, Phyllis Anthony, Annmarie Thile, Pam Ridley, Rita Lockyer, Michael Pritchard, Randal Dunn, John MacGrath, Ken Robinson, Neil Mc Peake, Graham Armstrong, Mary Redmond, Graham Speed, Marlen Piineda, David Truman, Bruce Mc Andie, Rosa Maria Santos, Sean Molloy, Betty Roper, Imperia De Ionno, Julie Reimann, Imelda Schulz, Maddison Calleja, Janice Forrester, Ray Zielonka, Jim Marlow, Marie Canavan, Gerry Canavan, Jayden Lee, Audrey Athayde, Marie Boulton, Sr. Marleen Dewar OLSH, Kay Kennedy, Rita Robinson, Eileen Ryan, Gary Lockyer, Yvonne Summers, Darcy Ridley, Marie Bakaj, Regan Barry, John Cherry, Dudley Dolman, Fr. Michael Walsh, Pat Feutrill, Paul Holmes, Michael Lochhead.



### RECENTLY DECEASED

Fr John O'Doherty OMI



### Plenary Council – Listening & Dialogue Opportunities

Parishioners are invited to attend one of the following opportunities to participate in Listening & Dialogue discussions in response to the Plenary Council question  
**"What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"**

These informal and friendly discussions will include tea and coffee and will be held at the following times:

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> August 10am in the Hall at Holy Trinity**

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> August 7pm in the Hall at Holy Trinity**

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> August 10am at St John XXIII**

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August 7pm at St John XXIII**

Don't miss an opportunity to have your voice heard as our Australian Church prepares for the Plenary Council!

**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



*No matter how little we have, we always have enough to share. Jesus can take our gifts and do great things with them, as he did with the loaves & fishes. This also applies in our giving to the St Vincent de Paul cause. No gift is too small or insignificant.*

Last week was an unusually quiet one with only 1 call. This family requested food & clothing.

Our Pantry needs at St John XXIII this week are:-  
Table Margarine; Vegemite & 2 Minute Noodles.  
Thank-you & God Bless.

### St Vincent De Paul Para Hills Conference



This year for our fundraising we are again making gift baskets to sell at our fete on the 3rd November, 2018. If anyone has any spare baskets or suitable items that we could use, we will be very grateful. Items can be left in the back of both churches. Thank you

Corrie Bowman

### REACH OUT GROUP

Tuesday 21st August, 2018  
9.15am Mass at St John XXIII

Reader: Jos  
Offertory: Pam R & Margaret E  
Communion: Maureen F & Pat H  
Altar Server: Leo N

Reach Out Group 42nd Birthday luncheon is on the 21st August at the Grand North Hotel, Grand Junction Road, Northfield. Starting at 11.45am Contact:

Maureen Kenny on: 8396 7682 if you wish to come.  
All Welcome.



### DEVELOPMENT FUND 2018

Congratulations Louisa Ellames  
No. 4

Drawn by Margaret Giebel

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

### APPEAL FOR VOCATIONS

The money raised for the Appeal for Vocations on the 12th August was \$541.25.

Thank you for your generous donation.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY AUGUST BABIES



19th August Edwin Thomas  
20th August John Dini Senior, Cameron Horn  
21st August Pearl Mc Gowan  
25th August Michael MacGrath, Neil Johnston,  
Monika Giebel, Lorraine Thalbourne  
26th August Mitchell Giebel

### Father Jack's 50th Anniversary Celebration

COME AND MAKE THIS DAY SPECIAL

Our Parish invites **YOU**, your family and friends to join with Fr Jack Boog, his family and friends to celebrate his 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood.

**WHEN? SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH,**  
**commencing with Mass at 12 mid-day**  
**WHERE? St John XXIII Community Centre,**  
**50 Reservoir Rd, Hope Valley**

It's a day when we thank God for tending to and guiding Fr Jack for these past 50 years. It's also a day when we celebrate with Fr Jack on this great milestone.

Mass will be followed by a BBQ lunch  
BYO Drinks and a Salad or Sweet.

*Join in and let's make it a day to  
remember for Fr Jack!*

### ANNIVERSARIES MASS

If you are celebrating an ordination, profession or marriage anniversary of 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 50 and 60 or more years please contact Archdiocesan Events with your names, year of anniversary and address by September 7th.

The Mass will be celebrated at:

St Patrick's Church,  
268 Grote Street, Adelaide

Sunday, September 30 at 2pm

**Please RSVP by September 7th.**

Archdiocesan events: 8210 8220

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

### PLEASE NOTE

At the rear of both churches there is a letter addressed to our Prime Minister to install a Clean Feed Programme to protect our children from the scourge of pornography. You will be shocked when you read what is happening to even six year olds.

Please fill in and post or email it as we are responsible for our children, if we don't protect them who will!

### Modbury Community and Craft Group Bus Trip

Modbury Community and Craft Group is hosting a Bus Trip to Mitcham Theatre on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018. We invite members of the Parish who would like to join us, as we have a limited number of seats available. The day includes morning tea, the movie The Book Club and lunch. Cost is \$45 per person.

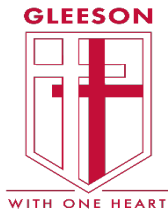
Please ring Mary Bryant 0403024386 to book a seat on the bus, and for more details before

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! All who eat my flesh and drink my blood live in me and I in them, says the Lord. Alleluia!**

## Gleeson College

Gleeson College is a Catholic Secondary Co-Educational College (Years 7-12) serving students and families in the North-Eastern suburbs of Adelaide.



### GLEESON COLLEGE OPEN DAY

Parishioners of **Tea Tree Gully** and **Para Hills-Modbury** are invited for a tour of Gleeson College led by Principal Andrew Baker, followed by morning tea.

**Friday, 21 September 2018 from 9.30am**

Please RSVP to Emma Williamson | Ph 8282 6600 | by Friday, 14 September 2018

### House for Rent

The parish house at Para Hills now requires new tenants. We are looking to rent the house to Catholics only as the house is located very close to the church. If anyone of our parishioners are interested in renting the house please let us know. Alternatively if you know someone who is looking for a rental house you can let us know as well. For further enquires please contact the Parish Office on: 8264 7590.



**Holy Trinity Parish Hall**  
3 James Street Para Hills  
19<sup>th</sup> August – 6<sup>th</sup> October  
2018, 2pm - 5pm.

#### What is Couples for Christ?

Couples for Christ Australia is a Catholic Community committed to supporting authentic Catholic family life whether single or married through Prayer, Service, Study and Friendship. Our programs have been approved by the Catholic Church in Australia. The CLP is for the benefit of the parishioners and there is no cost to the participant of the program. We put on the CLP as a free service to our fellow Parishioners.

### DIVINE MERCY

The next Divine Mercy Eucharistic Adoration will be on Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> August 3pm - 4pm at Holy Trinity Church.

### Community Garden

Welcome all to the Community Garden. Our next gathering is on the 25<sup>th</sup> August 9.30am to 12 noon. St John XXIII Mass Centre. Grandparents if you are babysitting grandchildren bring them along. Don't forget gloves etc.



**HAPPY 21<sup>st</sup> BIRTHDAY**  
for the 19<sup>th</sup> August  
**EDWIN THOMAS**



### Liturgy Assistants – Next Roster

The next Liturgy Assistants Roster will be prepared soon. If you expect to be **unavailable** for ministry during any specific weekends from 7 October to 30 December, please notify Therese Meyers at [theresemeyers@gmail.com](mailto:theresemeyers@gmail.com) or 0421 533 761 **by Friday 24 August** so you will not be rostered for those weekends.



### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Enquiry Dates for Sacramental Program for 2018-2019

- 19<sup>th</sup> September St John XXIII Church at 7pm
- 26<sup>th</sup> September Holy Trinity Church at 5.30pm

For any other enquiry please contact Jen Sherlock, Pastoral Associate on: 8264 7590 or Email: [pa@paramodcath.com.au](mailto:pa@paramodcath.com.au)

### BEER WINE PORT GROUP

Beer Wine Port Group's next meeting/tasting (Wine Night) is this coming Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> August at 7.30pm in the St John XXIII Mass Centre Meeting Room at Hope Valley. Our guest will be a former Parishioner here, Shelley Cox from St Hallett Winery in Tanunda.

Everybody is welcome, including fellow Parishioners in the Para Hills area and also new Parishioners to join us in tasting great wines from the very beautiful Coonawarra. For all information on BWP activities, including Bus Trips, Dinners, Cruises etc. please contact Greg Dew on: 8265 1566 or 0411 774 510.

### R.C.I.A. – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

R.C.I.A. is a process that invites people to a Faith journey that may lead to joining the church or to the completion of initiation into the church. So the process is for anyone who is:-

- ◆ Not baptised and has no religious affiliation, but is wanting to be a Catholic
- ◆ Already Baptised in another Christian Faith but is wanting to join the Catholic church
- ◆ Baptised Catholic and is wanting to prepare for the other Sacraments of Initiation i.e. Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

Enquiry sessions will begin in this parish on 23<sup>rd</sup> September after 10am mass at Holy Trinity. Anyone interested or seeking more information please contact: Pastoral Associate, Jen Sherlock 8264 7590 or email [pa@paramodcath.com.au](mailto:pa@paramodcath.com.au)

### THE SOUTHERN CROSS



The Latest edition of the Southern Cross is only \$2. Please support the initiative by taking one.