



# PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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## 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

21st July 2019

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time- Year C 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**

<b>Tue</b>	<b>23rd July</b>	Legion of Mary	12.30pm	<b>Holy Trinity</b>
<b>Thur</b>	<b>25th July</b>	Christian Meditation	2pm - 3pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Thur</b>	<b>25th July</b>	Legion of Mary	7.30pm	
		Mother of Christ Praesidium (23 Carruthers Drive, Modbury North)		
<b>Sun</b>	<b>28th July</b>	Divine Mercy	3pm	<b>Holy Trinity</b>

### ***OTHER ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK***

<b>Mon</b>	<b>22nd July</b>	Bowls	1pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Mon</b>	<b>22nd July</b>	Parish Finance Council	7.30pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>23rd July</b>	Reach Out	9.45am	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>24th July</b>	Seniors Social Club	1pm	<b>Holy Trinity</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>26th July</b>	Craft Group	9.30am - 12noon	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>27th July</b>	Garden Group	9am - 12noon	<b>Holy Trinity</b>

### **Choosing the Better Part**

The Liturgy of the word today calls us to live our lives with a kind of spiritual attentiveness that allows us to engage with the manifestations of the Spirit. In the first reading from the Book of Genesis, we hear the story of a divine encounter between Abraham and the strangers at the Oak of Mamre. Though there were three of them, Abraham addressed them as "My Lord". Christians later would see these three visitors as a foreshadowing of the Trinity. Abraham was keenly aware of the divine presence. His response showed the depth of his faith: "My Lord, I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by". Abraham and Sarah were hospitable to the divine visitors and were rewarded with the long-awaited pregnancy of their child. They taught us the art of living with spiritual attentiveness. God often comes to visit us in disguise, and like Abraham and Sarah, we need to be able to recognise him. The story of Martha and Mary provides further insight into how we ought to live the sacrament of the present moment in order to be fully engaged with the manifestations of the Spirit. They welcomed Jesus into their house. But while Mary was intent on listening and conversing with her guest, Martha was like one of the contestants in My Kitchen Rules. She came to a point of frustration and asked Jesus to intervene. To her surprise, Jesus said that it was Mary who chose the

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better part and it should not be taken away from her. Surely, Jesus did not mean to put down Martha or take sides in an apparent sibling rivalry. Perhaps something of greater significance than food and hospitality is implied in the story. Jesus is telling us that we need to pay attention to what really matters. We need to see life not as competition, success and achievement, rather from the point of view of God's love and concern for his people. It is the Kingdom and its righteousness, which ought to be the ultimate driving force of our lives. Paul in the second reading showed us something of this passion when he spoke of his sufferings as a result of the Gospel. The sufferings he alluded to had much to do with the battle he had fought against those who insisted circumcision on Gentile Christians. It was the inclusiveness of the Kingdom and the radical acceptance of everyone in the Church of God that made Paul into the faithful steward of the Good News. Paul's hard-fought victory that all are loved by God, all are of equal value, Jew or Greek, male or female, circumcised or uncircumcised, needs to be revisited again and again as we engage with many contemporary social issues. The Word of God today challenges us to live our lives not enslaved by superficial or secondary concerns but rooted in the values of the Kingdom. Amidst the many distractions and illusions that threaten our ability to focus, we need to learn the importance of mindfulness to God's presence and action around us. Like Abraham and Sarah, we should learn to recognize him disguised in our brothers and sisters, including strangers who need our compassion and empathy, not apathy and judgment. Like Mary, may we learn to choose the better part of true listening, discerning and engaging with realities around us in an effort to bring forth the Kingdom of justice and inclusion. That is the task and the mission of every Christian no matter who we are, what we do and the circumstances of life in which we find ourselves. May we through our being rooted in Christ and his values be transformed into the stewards of the Good News.

*Janulumbidramalakol*

### Readings for 28th July 2019

1st Reading	Gen	18:20-32
2nd Reading	Col	2:12-14
Gospel	Luke	11:1-13

### 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:**

Darcy Ridley, Paul Holmes, Dudley Dolman, Father Peter Milburn, Maria Hand, Emma Gammon, Sylvia Gisi, Asher Caudle, David North, Elijah Neri, Wayne Collins, Antoinette Pascale, Marg Dolman, Charlotte Fussell, Selena (Rose) Quinn, Phyllis Anthony, Reta Lockyer, Michael Pritchard, John MacGrath, Ken Robinson, Graham Armstrong, Mary Redmond, Graham Speed, Marlen Piineda, David Truman, Bruce McAndie, Rosa Maria Santos, Sean Molloy, Betty Roper, Imperia De Ionno, Julie Reimann, Imelda Schulz, Maddison Calleja, Janice Forrester, Ray Zielonka, Jim Marlow, Gerry Canavan, Jayden Lee, Audrey Athayde, Marie Boulton, Sr. Marleen Dewar OLSH, Kay Kennedy, Rita Robinson, Eileen Ryan, Gary Lockyer, Yvonne Summers.

### Recently Deceased

Heidi Beyer, Marie Bakaj, Josephine Ballard

### Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

22nd	St Mary Magdalene
23rd	St Bridget
24th	St Sharbel Makhluf
25th	St James, Apostle
26th	St Joachim & Anne

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY JULY BABIES

22nd	Pauline Forrestal
26th	Emil Mathew Merin
27th	David North



## PLENARY COUNCIL UPDATE

Have you visited the Plenary Council website recently? Out of the vast quantity of data collected from over 21,000 submissions made by more than 220,000 participants, six themes for discernment have been determined and they are:

How is God calling us in Australia to be a Christ-centred Church that is:

- Missionary and Evangelising?
- Inclusive, participatory and synodal?
- Prayerful and Eucharistic
- Humble, healing and merciful?
- A joyful, hope-filled and servant community?
- Open to conversion, renewal and reform?



The comprehensive findings from the Listening and Discernment phase will be released on July 28<sup>th</sup>, but visit the website to see a pictogram showing the types of responses that have been included under each of these headings.


The Council is now seeking Plenary Council Writing Group Chairs and Members for each of the themes listed above. Role descriptions for these voluntary positions and the application process are available on the Plenary Council website. You are encouraged to think about applying for one of these positions.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: The just will live in the presence of the Lord.**

**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**



*Lord your timeless lesson sings out in the voice of constant waves, in the wind through the trees and in the harmonies of life. Wash clean our ears to hear you, make us listen now, for we need your great wisdom to assist us in our life. Amen.*

Only two calls again this week;  
 not uncommon in school holidays

A big thank-you to all the contributors to the Winter Appeal – around \$1400 to date.

Another generous donation enabled us to bring forward the purchase of Foodland gift cards to supplement the non-perishables and bakery products we provide in home visits.

**Pantry needs this week are:**  
 Peanut Butter (small), Pasta Sauce,  
 Tinned Tomatoes and Margarine .

It will greatly help if any or all of these items could be placed in the Vinnies' collection basket.


Thank you and God Bless

**REACH OUT GROUP**

Tuesday 23rd July 2019  
 9.15am Mass at St John XXIII

Reader: Barbara Sorrell  
 Offertory: Cathy DeLuca & Pat Collins  
 Communion: Maureen Kenny & Gwen Barry  
 Altar Server: Leo North

All welcome



**DEVELOPMENT FUND 2019**

Congratulations Alex Balayance  
 No. 41

Drawn by Barbara Mathews for  
 Miriam Morrison

*Please note Alex has several numbers in the draw.*

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

**Craft Market 2019 – Vinnies Stall**

As you will remember, Vinnies sold gift baskets at last year's Craft Market. All of the proceeds from those sales went to assist the work of St Vincent de Paul locally – we would not have been as successful without your generosity. We are planning to make 50 baskets once again this year and are looking for donations of goods to fill those baskets. The baskets we make are suitable for men and women, boys and girls, and of course, babies. We are seeking donations of goods to make up these various baskets: toiletries for men or women; wine; nuts and chocolates; items for babies or children; or anything that you think would make a gift basket desirable. There will be a box at the back of each church for you to place your donations of gifts in. We are very grateful for your ongoing support of the work of St Vincent de Paul in our parish.

Corrie Bowman

**Volunteer Briefings**

The Archdiocesan Child Protection Unit offers briefings which all volunteers in the parish are required to undergo every three years.

The purpose of the briefings is to enable our parish to be a community that provides a safe environment for all. It also allows us to meet our legal obligation as volunteers to be educated in keeping children safe. If you are a volunteer in any aspect of parish life and have not yet undertaken such a briefing, or if your last briefing was more than three years ago, you are required to participate in a briefing to be eligible to continue as a volunteer.

DATE	TIME	PARISH	VENUE ADDRESS
1 <sup>st</sup> Aug	10:30am-12:00pm	Elizabeth	19 Laverstock Rd Elizabeth North

To register for a Volunteer Briefing please contact the Child Protection Unit either via email at [childprotection@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:childprotection@adelaide.catholic.org.au) or by phone on 8210 8159

**Religious Education For Families**

We will be starting Religious Education classes from 29th July on

Mondays at 5pm during school term  
 in the Holy Trinity Hall

Children of all ages are welcome to join.

For more information please contact  
 Jen Sherlock on 8264 7590 or email  
[pa@paramodcath.com.au](mailto:pa@paramodcath.com.au)





**Parish Craft Market 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2019**

We need your help! The Craft Market is one of our major fundraisers for the parish.


The money raised at the market will be used for repairs and maintenance at both Mass Centres.

Donations towards the cost of goods such as scones, tea, coffee, and sugar for our parish stalls would be greatly appreciated.

Donations can be left at the parish office.

Plants and items for the Bric-a-Brac and Book Stalls are also needed.

Enquiries: Lea Crosby 0431 092 725



**CHILDREN'S PRAYER**

Lord Jesus, we pray that we will always make you welcome and be ready to spend time listening to the word of God. Amen

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart, and yield a harvest through perseverance. Alleluia!**



### **PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND INFORMATION MEETING**

Sunday 28th July at St John XXIII Church at 3pm.

This gathering is for all those who are coming to the Holy Land in the footsteps of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, and those who would like some more information about the journey and the meaning of the pilgrimage. This is a lifetime opportunity to gain a deeper connection with our faith and the reality of Jesus in His own homeland.

Please bring some afternoon tea to share.  
With thanks, Fr Jack

#### **LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR FAITH**

- Lives of the Saints
- Papal Encyclicals & Letters
- Teachings of the Magisterium
- Insights into 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—21st July  
after 10AM MASS**

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



#### **DIVINE MERCY AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**

The next Divine Mercy Eucharistic Adoration will be on Sunday, 28th July at 3pm at Holy Trinity Church, 3 James Street, Para Hills.



#### **STAY FOR A CUPPA**

Thanks to some of our wonderful volunteers, we will be having a cuppa after all Masses Next Weekend

Please join us.

#### **PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL**

The next meeting for the Parish Finance Council is on the 22nd July, 2019  
St John XXIII Meeting Room at 7.30pm.

#### **Soup & Sweet Night**

Come along and enjoy home cooked food created by the East Timor committee members and at the same time, support urgent projects in Maliana diocese.

When: **10<sup>th</sup> August at 7.15 p.m.**

Where: **St John XXIII Mass Centre**

How much: **\$15 p.p.; \$10 for children U12**

Prepayment: **purchase your tickets after Mass 27/28<sup>th</sup>  
July or 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> August**

**Raffle** tickets for sale with prizes drawn on the night.

**East Timorese handicrafts and Holy Land items** for sale as well.

#### **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 interested in becoming a Catholic
- ♦ Already Baptised in another Christian Faith but wishes 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.

Meetings will begin in this parish on 1st September after 10am Mass at Holy Trinity. Anyone seeking more information please contact: Jen Sherlock 8264 7590 or email [pa@paramodcath.com.au](mailto:pa@paramodcath.com.au) or speak with Fr Manu.

#### **Community Garden**

Just moved? Missing your old garden? Feel like you would like to get your hands dirty? Come and join in the fun and meet some like minded gardeners.

Don't forget your gloves, hat and sunscreen.

Give it a go, no commitment, you may enjoy yourself.

**Next gathering - Saturday 27th July will be at Holy Trinity from 9am - 12 pm.**

Please contact Jen Sherlock on: 8264 7590 or email: [pa@paramodcath.com.au](mailto:pa@paramodcath.com.au)



#### **THE SOUTHERN CROSS**

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