



# PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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## Holy Trinity Church

171 Kesters Road, 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

11th August 2019  
18th 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>Mon</b>	<b>12th Aug</b>	Religious Education for Children	5pm - 6pm	<b>Holy Trinity</b>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>13th Aug</b>	Legion of Mary	12.30pm	<b>Holy Trinity</b>
<b>Thur</b>	<b>15th Aug</b>	Christian Meditation	2pm - 3pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Thur</b>	<b>15th Aug</b>	Legion of Mary	7.30pm	
		Mother of Christ Praesidium (6 Metcalfe Ave Modbury Heights )		

### OTHER ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

<b>Mon</b>	<b>12th Aug</b>	Bowls	1pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>13th Aug</b>	Reach Out	9.45am	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>13th Aug</b>	Parish Pastoral Council	7pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>14th Aug</b>	Seniors Social Club	1pm	<b>Holy Trinity</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>16th Aug</b>	Craft Group	9.30am - 12noon	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>18th Aug</b>	DVD Library	11am	<b>Holy Trinity</b>



## **FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION**

Thursday 15th August  
**ST JOHN XXIII**  
Mass at 9.15am

**HOLY TRINITY**  
Mass at 7pm

**Please note there will not be a Mass  
at Modbury Hospital on this day.**

## Rooted in Faith and Always Ready

The central theme of today's readings is the necessity of trusting Faith in God's promises and vigilant preparedness in the followers of Christ.

The first reading cites the Faith-filled preparedness of the ancient Hebrew slaves in Egypt before their mass exodus to the Promised Land. Their trusting Faith in their God's promises gave them hope. With expectant Hope, the Hebrews obediently sacrificed the first Passover Lamb and ate the first ritual meal, as prescribed by their God through Moses. They awaited their imminent release and were prepared for it. Today's Responsorial Psalm, invites us to express our own confidence in God and declare our trust in His providence.

In the Second Reading, taken from the last chapter of the letter to the Hebrews, Faith is defined as "the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen" (Heb 11:1). It tries to bolster the Faith of the Jewish Christians, by appealing to the example of their ancestors, starting with Abraham, and reviewing the things they had accomplished by Faith. In the Gospel, Jesus challenges his disciples to trust the Father's promise to give them eternal happiness in His kingdom. However they are to be prepared at all times, because the Son of Man will come at an unexpected hour. In the second part of today's Gospel, Jesus exhorts his followers to be steadfast in their Faith and be ever vigilant. He explains his point using three mini-parables. The servants of a master who are entrusted with the management of the household. A trusted steward ran his master's house and administered his estate. When his master was not at home, the steward was ever vigilant. He prepared himself for his master's return at any time of the day or night by always doing his duties faithfully. Jesus illustrates the same point using another mini parable of the wise servants waiting for the return of their master after a wedding feast.

Jesus teaches us the need for constant vigilance, using yet another mini parable of the thief and the treasure. We should not lose our treasure of Divine grace like the man who awoke one day to discover that a thief had stolen his wealth during the night. We must be vigilant like the servant in the parable waiting for his master's unexpected return or like the wise homeowner who was well prepared for the unexpected break-in by a thief. Since the time of our death is quite uncertain, we too, must be ever ready to meet our Lord at any moment. He should find us carrying out our task of love, mercy and service, rather than leaving things undone or half-done. He should also find us at peace with God, ourselves and with our fellowmen.

Jesus then presents the parable of the unwise steward as a warning to us. The unwise steward made two mistakes. (i) He said, "I will do what I like while my master is away". Like him, we often forget that our Lord is always with us, and that we will be accountable to him on the day of reckoning. Misuse of an office for one's own advantage or the abuse of others will bring about severe punishment, for the returning Lord will place that servant "with the unfaithful."

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## Readings for 18th August 2019

1st Reading	Jer	38:4-6, 8-10
2nd Reading	Heb	12:1-4
Gospel	Luke	12:49-53

### 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, 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

Suma George, Heidi Beyer, Marie Bakaj, Josephine Ballard

### Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

12th	St Jane Frances de Chantal
13th	Sts Pontian & Hippolytus
14th	St Maximilian Kolbe
15th	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
16th	St Stephen of Hungary

(ii) He said, "I have plenty of time to put things right before the master comes." Nothing is as fatal to the accomplishment of a task as procrastination. Jesus also warns us that knowledge and privilege bring responsibility with them. Today, looking back on two thousand years of Christian history, we find it difficult to expect Christ's second coming during our lifetime. But we are sure to meet him at our death. Since the date and time of our death are unknown to us, we should always be ready to give him an account of our lives.

*Lanubumbidramalaka*

## CHILDREN'S PRAYER



Lord my God, in darkness and in light, in trouble and in joy, help us, to trust your love, to serve your purpose, and to praise your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY AUGUST BABIES

15th	Margaret Ferguson
16th	Evan Weaver, Marlene Fenwick



**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.**

**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.*



Another busy week, again with 10 calls for assistance – mostly for food, but also some for clothing and furniture. Blankets are now also in demand as the fear of heaters creating a large power bill prevails.

Not as much spare bakery products on the heavy weeks.

#### Pantry needs this week are:

Tea Bags, Jam, Tinned Meat and Tinned Corn.

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 13th August 2019  
9.15am Mass at St John XXIII  
Followed by a cuppa.  
All Welcome

Reader: Margaret Dunn  
Offertory: Raphael Melegh & Irene Melegh  
Communion: Maureen Frost & Pam Ridley  
Altar Server: Jos Hensing

For information about Reach Out please call  
Maureen Kenny Ph: 8396 7682 or M: 0418 821 859



### DEVELOPMENT FUND 2019

Congratulations Barbara Sorrell  
No. 42

Drawn by Tony McGarry

Contact: Barbara Mathews 8258 8806  
to be included in the draw.

### National Vocations Awareness Week

Vocations come from families, communities and parishes. Strong families and communities are the place where vocations are first nurtured.

In this national Vocations Awareness Week, let us pray for all families in our parish, and for those preparing for marriage, let us also pray that our parish community may always be welcoming and encouraging of vocations to marriage, priesthood and consecrated life.

This weekend we will be holding the Appeal for Vocations, through which you will be contributing to the formation of Priests and the promotion of vocations for service in the Archdiocese

### Craft Market – Face Painter/s needed

Do you know of anyone who would be willing to volunteer their time to do some face painting at the Craft Market?  
If so, please contact Lea on 0431 092 725



### How can I be involved in the Archdiocesan Parish Pastoral Visitation?

Firstly, by staying for a cuppa and meeting with the Vicar General, Fr Philip Marshall, and the Visitation Team when you attend Mass on the weekend of 7th / 8th September.

Secondly, and perhaps more importantly, by attending the cuppa and Question & Answer session in the Hall at Holy Trinity following the 10am Mass on the 15th September. Even if you prefer to attend your regular Mass time, we do encourage you to come along to the Q&A session. This is a wonderful opportunity to put any questions you have about the Church or the Archdiocese to the Vicar General. Remember, we have been told that 'no topic is off the agenda'.

Finally, should you wish representatives of your group to participate in a meeting with the Visitation Team on their long day in the parish – Tuesday 10th September – you are invited to contact either Fr Manu or Carolyn Ost so we can accommodate you in the schedule.

So that we don't over burden the groups who regularly provide for us at our end of month cuppas, on the noticeboard at the back of both churches you will find sign-up sheets calling for volunteers to assist with the donation and preparation of food, the serving of tea and coffee, or the clean up afterwards at each Mass on the weekend of 7th/8th September and the 10am Mass on 15th September.

### \*Liturgy Assistants Roster October to December\*

The liturgy assistants roster for  
October to December 2019  
will be drawn up soon.

If you have any information that affects the roster or you are aware that you are not available for any reason for any ministry for which you have volunteered, please pass that information either to the parish office or directly to Therese Meyers on 0421 533 761 or [theresemeyers@gmail.com](mailto:theresemeyers@gmail.com)  
by 21st August 2019  
Therese Meyers

### ANNIVERSARIES MASS

Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> 2019  
at 2.00pm in St Patrick's Church, Adelaide

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 and wish to participate

please contact Archdiocesan Events with your name, year of anniversary and address.  
RSVP by September 6th 2019 to  
Archdiocesan Events on 8210 8220 or via email [events@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:events@adelaide.catholic.org.au).

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The next meeting for the Parish Pastoral Council is on  
Tuesday, the 13th August at  
St John XXIII Meeting Room at 7pm.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful and ready:  
you know not when the Son of Man is coming Alleluia!**

# Meet Your Fellow Parishioners

## Andrew (Andreas) Kunzel

My faith Journey: I was born to a spiritual free-thinking Catholic woman, much ahead of her time, a Lutheran Father who studied the Catholic faith but was unable to fully believe in its doctrine and being honest to himself remained a non-practicing Lutheran. I was also fortunate to have a wonderful maternal Grandmother who was a devout Catholic. My first real experience of the Catholic faith came, when my Grandmother would take me on holidays to a Convent town that was co-founded by my Grandmother's Aunt, a Josephite Sister. The Convent was physically built by the Sisters and surrounding farm folks. We would stay in the Hospice run by a beautiful and compassionate Sister: the convent was totally self-sufficient, caring for the physically and mentally handicapped of all ages. During this time, I would witness the compassionate and loving Nuns, as well as the not so kind, perhaps angry with life Nuns. Coming to Australia as a young teenager I would attend Sunday Mass celebrated by a German Priest at St Patricks in Adelaide. When my parents moved to Salisbury, we attended St Augustine Church in Salisbury, until one hot summers day I attended Mass in Shorts, short sleeved white shirt and knee high socks. As I left the Church the then Parish Priest told me "I don't want to see you again in Church dressed like this". He didn't. I stopped going to Mass except on rare occasions at the Cathedral. Later when I met my wife Nora this would be on a more regular basis. We were married by Nora's Uncle who was a Franciscan missionary Priest in Pakistan and came to Australia for this occasion, a most holy and compassionate man. By this time, we would attend Mass each Sunday at the Church of the Annunciation in Hectorville. When our eldest son started Sunday School Nora would assist in teaching the 'little' ones whilst I would sit in the car reading the Sunday Mail waiting for Mass to start. One day there was a knock on my car window and a smiling little Nun (Sister Mary Canny) asked me if I could assist with R E as there were some older boys who might respond better to a male. This was the beginning of 23 years teaching R E, mainly for children who were older and had missed 'the boat' as one would say in those days. In 1980 we made a break from Hectorville as we had built our new home in Para Vista and Nora had been attending Prayer meetings at John the 23rd for some years. My first impression of the Church building, we arrived 10 minutes early, was not complimentary however this was only for a very short time. Once people started to arrive and the person who moved next to me introduced himself and welcomed us. Father John was the Parish Priest and until then I had never experienced a Holy down to earth inspiring Mass, with participating parishioners, rousing Hymns and fellowship after Mass. Finally I had found my spiritual home. 15 years ago I was asked by a Parishioner, who was the Catholic Chaplain to the Royal Adelaide Hospital, if I would become a volunteer there, reluctantly I agreed. After more years of study, during which I met a holy woman who taught Spiritual Pastoral Education, I applied for a position as Pastoral Associate with an .  
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aged care provider with strong Catholic ethos and ties to the Church. In this position I have the privilege to meet elderly residents of all walks of life, some religious, spiritual, agnostic and professed atheists. All human beings created in the image of God. As I welcome these people into our aged care homes and assist them to adjust into their new environment and they entrust and share their life stories with me I come to understand more and more the wonderful plan of our God. As well I have the honour to encounter wonderful unselfish and devoted Priests and Ministers of religion who give so freely of their time to spiritually care for these residents who are no longer able to attend Church services in the communities they used to belong to. One of the most heartwarming experience is to witness the removal of denominational barriers, as all are invited to attend one another's celebrations. In my senior years I realise more than ever that is in our human foolishness we erect barriers to one another in order to protect ourselves from those we don't know, but how much wiser it is to listen to each other and accept and appreciate the vastness of God's varied creation. At times I ponder if it is in our imperfections that our God has created perfection. We all have the opportunity for the holy and the sinful and it is by the grace of God that 'I' am.

### 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—18th August  
after 10AM MASS**

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

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

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

- ♦ Not baptised but is interested in becoming a Catholic
- ♦ Already Baptised in another Christian Faith but wishes to become a Catholic
- ♦ 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 25th August 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.