



PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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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

18th August 2019
20th 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**

Mon	19th Aug	Religious Education for Children	5pm - 6pm	Holy Trinity
Mon	20th Aug	Prayer Reflection	11-12pm	St John XXIII
Tue	20th Aug	Legion of Mary	12.30pm	Holy Trinity
Thur	22nd Aug	Christian Meditation	2pm - 3pm	St John XXIII
Sat	24th Aug	Legion of Mary Retreat	10 - 3pm	Holy Trinity
Sun	25th Aug	RCIA	11am	Holy Trinity
Sun	25th Aug	Divine Mercy	3pm	Holy Trinity

OTHER ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Mon	19th Aug	Bowls	1pm	St John XXIII
Tue	20th Aug	Reach Out	9.45am	St John XXIII
Wed	21st Aug	Seniors Social Club	1pm	Holy Trinity
Fri	23rd Aug	Craft Group	9.30am - 12noon	St John XXIII
Sat	24th Aug	Garden Group	9am	Holy Trinity

Challenged to be New not Nice

The central theme of today's gospel is that we should courageously live out our religious convictions and principles in our lives as Jesus did, even if doing so should result in our martyrdom and turn society upside down. If no one is ever offended by the quality of our commitment to Christ, then perhaps we are practicing "inoffensive Christianity." Jesus preaches the word of God which continues to divide families, a word which, he knew, would lead ultimately to his death. The fire Jesus brings is the fire of love and the fire of hope. The disruption, division, and revolution, which Jesus and his true followers cause in society by the fire of sacrificial love and the fire of justice, are necessary to set right what's fractured, put right what's dislocated and cleanse what's infected. In other words, the curative pain caused by Jesus' ideas and ideals is necessary for the establishment of the real peace of God.

In pursuing his mission, Jesus brings division because some follow him, and others oppose him. We must make a decision to follow him or not, to share his "baptism" or not. This choice can result in division, even within families.

In the gospel Jesus says: "I have come to 'set the earth on fire'." Fire has many

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characteristics: it warms, purifies, refines, transforms, and burns. As a purifying force, fire burns up what is useless and refines what is impure besides giving warmth and energy. John the Baptist promises that Jesus “will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire” (Mt 3:11), and that promise was fulfilled at Pentecost. James and John wanted to call down fire from Heaven upon the Samaritans who rejected Jesus, but Jesus would not permit it (Lk 9:54). These meanings suggest that the fire which Jesus brings will consume or purify the world. “Fire was to be an expected aspect of discipleship in the sense that: (1) baptism into Jesus dying and rising necessarily included a process of purification by his word and the Holy Spirit; (2) those who align themselves with him who is both LIGHT and TRUTH will inevitably know the heat of persecution; (3) the service of the good news will require a zeal so contagious that it will set fire in the hearts of others.” (Sanchez Files).

As Jesus walked the road to Jerusalem, the disciples had to decide whether to go with him or not. To be with or against Jesus is a decision which has the effect of judgment and division. Even though Christ did come to establish peace between God and man, that peace causes a division between those who accept it and those who reject it. In this way he becomes a sign of contradiction (CCC 575-576). Since Luke emphasizes peace as the gift that Jesus brings (1:79; 2:14; 19:38), we are shocked when Jesus declares that he has come not to bring peace on earth but division, splitting even families apart. Jesus’ teaching caused division in families, in communities and in the Church. For the Palestinian Jews of the first century, a person’s place in the family conferred personal identity, protection, a support system, and a place in the community. To separate oneself from one’s family or clan was, literally, a matter of life and death. But Christianity tore families in two, because the loyalty to Christ has to take precedence over the dearest loyalties of this earth.

Belief in Jesus and commitment to him cause fires of arguments to erupt between believers and non-believers in the same family or community, resulting in the division of families and conflict in society. Standing up for what is right, working for justice and truth are higher aims than unity, and working for those aims will sometimes cause division. Hence, Christians today may cause division and rouse opposition because they share, through their Baptism, the prophetic charism of speaking God’s word. Let us remember that Jesus’ sense of justice brought him into conflict with those who exploited the weak and the poor. His integrity invited confrontation with the dishonest and hypocritical leaders, and his love for the poor, for sinners and for the outcast alienated him from the narrow-minded and self-righteous. C.S. Lewis once said that the Gospel was concerned to create “new people” not just “nice people.”



Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

19th	St John Eudes
20th	St Bernard
21st	St Pius X
22nd	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
23rd	St Rose of Lima
24th	St Bartholomew, Apostle

Readings for 25th August 2019

1st Reading	Isaiah	66:18-21
2nd Reading	Heb	12:5-7, 11-13
Gospel	Luke	13:22-30

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, 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

Elizabeth Masefield, Michael Pritchard, Suma George, Heidi Beyer, Marie Bakaj, Josephine Ballard

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.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Lord, come to my aid!

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

A quieter week with three calls for assistance – two for the first time and one single mother struggling with a wayward teenage daughter. Blankets and other bedding we've received has been taken down to the Vinnies shop at Valley View – from there they are issued to people in need through vouchers and Vinnies Gift cards.

Pantry needs this week are:

Sugar, UHT Milk, Rice and Tinned Peas/Beans

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 20th August 2019
9.15am Mass at St John XXIII
Followed by a cuppa.
All Welcome

This week Reach Out celebrates it's 43rd Birthday

Reader: Jos Hensing
Offertory: Judy & Ian Dalwood
Communion: Maureen Kenny & Margaret Emery
Altar Server: Leo North

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



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2019

Congratulations Les Ost
No. 56
Drawn by Barbara Sorrell
Contact: Barbara Mathews 8258 8806
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



Migrant and Refugee Sunday

Next weekend, as part of our Liturgical Year, the Australian Church celebrates Migrant and Refugee Sunday.

We are inviting you to come to Mass in your national dress on this day. Also, if you have your national flag or other culturally significant artefacts we invite you to bring them along to be included as part of the Gathering Procession and then placed in front of the altar. We would ask that you collect these items after Mass for your safe keeping.

Liturgy Committee

Legion of Mary

All auxiliary members of the Legion of Mary Para Hills are invited to a retreat at Holy Trinity Church on Saturday 24th August.

Beginning with Mass at 9.15am, a talk by Fr Manu, quiet time and finishing with Adoration and Benediction at 2pm.

BYO lunch

All Parishioners are welcome to attend.

Thank you and God bless you.
Legion of Mary Para Hills

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 by 21 August 2019
Therese Meyers

PRAYER REFLECTION GROUP

Prayers in the Chapel at St John XXIII on Tuesday 20th August from 11am - 12noon
All Welcome to come and pray and reflect.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY AUGUST BABIES

19h Ursula Jones, Edwin Thomas
20th John Dini Sr, Cameron Horn
21st Pearl McGowan
25th Michael Macgrath, Neil Johnston,
Monika Giebel, Lorraine Thalbourne



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia !



To everyone who attended or donated to the Soup & Sweet Night last Saturday night at St John XXIII Mass Centre, we thank you very much! The proceeds from the sale of tickets, the raffle and craft sales on the night was over \$500. It was a great social get-together for parishioners and friends as well as supporting projects in Maliana diocese. Parish East Timor Committee



Training for Altar Servers
 Training for altar servers will start **Saturday 31st August at Holy Trinity Church Para Hills from 10am- 11am**
 For all children who have completed their Sacraments of Initiation.

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

ANNIVERSARIES MASS

Sunday, September 22nd 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.



THE SOUTHERN CROSS

The August edition of the Southern Cross is now available. Only \$2
 Please Support Your Catholic Newspaper

GARDEN GROUP

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 24th August will be at Holy Trinity from 9am - 12 pm.

Please contact Jen Sherlock on: 8264 7590 or email: pa@paramodcath.com.au



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 or speak with Fr Manu.



DIVINE MERCY AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

The next Divine Mercy Eucharistic Adoration will be on Sunday, 25th August 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.



SAFETY FIRST

PLEASE REMEMBER THE CARPARKS ARE SHARED ZONES AND FOR SAFETY THE SPEED LIMIT IS 10KPH (WALKING PACE).