



# PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

## Parish Team

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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  
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10th November 2019  
32nd 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

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

## PRAYER MEETINGS AND DEVOTIONS

<b>Mon</b>	<b>11th Nov</b>	Religious Education for Children	5pm - 6pm	<b>Holy Trinity</b>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>12th Nov</b>	Legion of Mary	12.30pm	<b>Holy Trinity</b>
<b>Thur</b>	<b>14th Nov</b>	Legion of Mary	7.30pm	
		Mother of Christ Praesidium (6 Metcalfe Ave Modbury Heights)		
<b>Sun</b>	<b>17th Nov</b>	Couples for Christ Meeting	2pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>17th Nov</b>	Legion Of Mary(N.E.Curia, Cry room)	2pm	<b>Holy Trinity</b>

## OTHER ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

<b>Mon</b>	<b>11th Nov</b>	Bowls	1pm - 3.30pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>12th Nov</b>	Reach Out	9.45am	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>12th Nov</b>	Parish Pastoral Council	7pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>13th Nov</b>	Senior Social Club	1pm	<b>Holy Trinity</b>
<b>Thur</b>	<b>14th Nov</b>	St Vincent De Paul (Modbury Conference)	4pm - 6pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>15th Nov</b>	Craft Group	9.30am - 12noon	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>15th Nov</b>	Cans For Kids & Ukesh4 Charity Benefit Concert	7pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>17th Nov</b>	DVD Library	11am	<b>Holy Trinity</b>

## Craft Market 2019

Our annual Parish Craft Market was a great success  
with a wonderful community atmosphere throughout the day.  
Thank you to parishioners, family & friends, Fr Manu and Parish Staff  
for your support and encouragement.

We particularly thank our parish Craft Group  
for donating the first prize of \$500 for our major raffle.  
After expenses we raised the wonderful sum  
of \$7890 for the parish.  
Craft Market Committee

## Alive in Christ

The main theme of today's gospel is the reality of life after death. In this confrontation with the Sadducees, Jesus cleverly escapes from a doctrinal trap set for him and explains the doctrine of the resurrection of the dead, supported by the Pharisees and denied by the Sadducees. Jesus speaks of God as the God of the living and declares that heavenly life with God in glory is totally different from earthly life.

Jesus had reached Jerusalem for his final Passover feast. He wept over Jerusalem, cleansed the Temple and started teaching there. As part of a well-planned plot to trap Jesus, the chief priests, the scribes and the Pharisees approached him with two controversial questions: i) "Tell us, by what authority are you doing these things and who is it that gave you this authority?" (Lk 20:2), and ii) "Is it lawful for us to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" (Lk 20:22). Learning that Jesus had escaped from the first two traps, the Sadducees, in today's Gospel, asked a question concerning the marital state after the resurrection.

The challenge to Jesus was clear: do you believe in the written Torah which is silent on the resurrection, or do you side with the Pharisees, accepting their belief in the resurrection based on oral traditions and interpretations, and thus subjecting Moses to ridicule?

The word "resurrection" does not appear in the Pentateuch (Torah), but the beginnings of the concept are found in Job 19:26; Psalm 16:10; 49:15; Isaiah 25:8; 26:16-19; Daniel 12:2; and Hosea 13:14. "Those who had died would be raised so that they too could receive their due reward." (Daniel [165 BC]:12:2). Ezekiel 37 recounts the prophet's vision of dry bones rising to life, but the image refers to the Jewish nation rather than to individual persons. The idea of the resurrection is further developed in the Deuterocanonical books (see II Mc 7).

The Sadducees constituted a group of wealthy, powerful and privileged, who controlled the Temple worship. Although few in number, the Sadducees were the Jewish governing class, and they supported Roman rule. They acknowledged only written Scripture as bearing God's word, accepting only the first five books of the Hebrew Bible as authoritative; they rejected the oral tradition which Pharisees found necessary for applying God's revealed word to everyday life. They gave the writings of the prophets a lower place in their system. The Sadducees believed in unrestricted free-will and not in fate or Divine Providence. They assumed that we control our own destinies through our personal actions. They rejected the idea of the resurrection, because it was not found in the Torah. Nor did they believe in the coming of the Messiah. Their question put Jesus in a no-win political position. If Jesus defended the concept of the resurrection, he would displease the Sadducees. If he failed to do so, he would displease the Pharisees. Thus, either way, he would alienate a part of the crowd. Jesus, using the Torah itself, explained that the afterlife won't be just an eternal replay of this life. Things will be different after we die. Normal human relations, including marriage, will be transformed. Then Jesus tells the Sadducees, that those whom

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Readings for next Sunday, 17th Nov 2019

1st Reading	Mal	3:19-20
2nd Reading	2 Thes	3:7-12
Gospel	Luke	21:5-19

### Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

11th	Nov	St Martin of Tours
12th		St Josaphat
15th		St Albert the Great
16th		St Margaret of Scotland, St Gertrude

### 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:

Patricia Kopf, 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

Patricia Mary Carey, Sharyn Francese

God considers worthy of the resurrection and heavenly life with Him are immortal, like the angels and hence are "children of God."

Today's gospel invites us to live as people of the Resurrection. The hope of our resurrection and eternal life with God gives us lasting peace and joy amid the struggles and tension of our day-to-day lives. Being totally aware of the presence of the living God amidst us we should offer living worship to a living God. Our worship services and relation to God must be life-giving rather than life-draining experiences. The proclamation that our God is the God of the living has to mean something positive to us. It should affect our lives today and every day. Therefore, let us resolve to be living this life to its fullness that we prepare ourselves well for life eternal.



### CHILDREN'S PRAYER



Help me to recognize your living presence  
in my life so that I live with joyfulness  
and love everyday.  
Help me to share the joy  
of knowing you with the people I meet.  
Amen

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.**

**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.*

Back to six calls for assistance this week,  
covering 9 adults and 6 children – one for furniture only.

A big thank-you to Corrie and all those who supported  
her preparation and sale of gift baskets at the Craft Fair  
– her sales topped the thousand dollar mark.

Gift baskets will also be available for sale on  
Sunday 24th November at Holy Trinity  
during the cuppa after Mass.

Our Christmas Appeal is on this weekend  
and your support, as ever, is greatly appreciated.  
Stamped envelopes are available for donations,  
and tax receipts will be provided.

Our immediate needs in the pantry are  
Margarine, Tinned Fruit, Peanut Butter and Tea Bags  
If you can, please put any or all of these in the basket.  
We appreciate the assistance this provides us  
in keeping the pantry stocked against  
the assistance demand.

Thank you and God Bless

**REACH OUT GROUP**

Tuesday 12th November 2019  
9.15am Mass at St John XXIII  
Followed by a cuppa.  
All Welcome

Reader: Jos Hensing  
Offertory: Carmelina D'Silva & Mary Mattner  
Communion: Maureen Frost & Margaret Emery  
Altar Server: Ian Dalwood

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



**DEVELOPMENT FUND 2019**

Congratulations Joy Knowles  
No. 43

Drawn by Grace Healey

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

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY NOVEMBER BABIES**

11th Nov Gary Lelacheur,  
Margaret Viceban  
13th Nov Margaret Grima,  
Anne Van Der Arend  
17th Nov Gavin Ball



**Thank You - Volunteers Weekend Dinner /BBQ**

We will be holding a BBQ to show our appreciation for  
all the wonderful work our many volunteers  
do within the parish.

**Sunday 24th November 2019  
at 5pm in the Holy Trinity Church Hall.**

All Masses on the weekend of the 23rd/24th November  
will be dedicated to our Volunteers.



**Memorial Mass**

On Friday the 29th November 2019  
at St John XXIII  
we will be holding our  
Annual Memorial Mass  
at 7pm, followed by  
a shared supper

All Parishioners Welcome



Plenary Council 2020  
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

**Plenary Council 2020**

**'Listen to what the Spirit is saying ...' Rev 2:7**

**What's next in our parish?**

We will convene two sessions where parishioners will be  
able to join a discussion group on one of the Listening and  
Discernment themes. There will be tea, coffee and finger  
food available. You will be able to choose either or both  
(should you want to discuss more than one of the themes)  
of the following sessions:

- 30<sup>th</sup> November at St John XXIII following 6pm Mass
- 8<sup>th</sup> December at Holy Trinity following 10am Mass.

Each Discernment session is expected to result in a  
response that we can summarise and submit via the  
Plenary Council website. The Australia wide responses  
will be used to 'flesh out' the agenda for discussion at the  
Plenary Council in October 2020

**Liturgy Assistants Roster January to March 2020**

The liturgy assistants roster for January to March 2020  
will be drawn up soon. If you have any information that  
affects the roster, or you are aware that you will not be  
available for any reason for any ministry for which you  
have volunteered, could you please pass that  
information either to the parish office or directly to  
Therese Meyers by phoning 0421 533 761  
or by emailing [theresemeyers@gmail.com](mailto:theresemeyers@gmail.com)  
by Friday 15 November 2019.  
The 2020 AFL Draw is already available!

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead;  
glory and kingship be his for ever and ever.. Alleluia!**





## 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 will pray and offer intentions for the beloved deceased family and friends of:

Margaret Dunn, Ngoc Nguyen, Mrs M Brady, Lorraine McPeake, Radman & Halpin Families, Barbara Mereszka, Urbina & Gaetano Colosi, Kath & Lawrie Hampton, Rodolfo Liwanag, C Curtis, White & McElligott families, Kay Kennedy, Margaret Le Roux, Anne-Michelle Howell, Barry & Cathy Petherick, Ursula Moore, Marg & Dud Dolman, Anna Mervatt, Peter & Anne Van Der Arend, Anne Hughes

*"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.

#### SPIRITUAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND FOR THOSE WHO STAY AT HOME.

Fr Jack is taking another pilgrimage this year with a group of 15 pilgrims.

The pilgrims are leaving on 15th November.

Copies of the journey are available at the back of the church today for those people who would like to follow from home and pray for us.

If you can, light a candle everyday and say a prayer for us. We promise to light a candle in each of the churches we visit and pray for you that your Spiritual journey may be blessed.

With thanks, Fr Jack.

#### **CANS FOR KIDS & UKES4 CHARITY BENEFIT CONCERT**

Venue: St John XXIII

50 Reservoir Road, Hope Valley

Date: Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Time: 7:00pm to 9pm

Supper Available – Gold coin Donation

Tickets: \$10 each

Seniors and Members : \$7.00 each

#### THE SOUTHERN CROSS

The November edition of the Southern Cross is now available.

Only \$2

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## Notice to all Parish Groups

Please submit your **Diary Dates for 2020** as soon as possible so they can be placed in the Parish Diary. All dates must be submitted in writing either by email at [bulletin@paramodcath.com.au](mailto:bulletin@paramodcath.com.au) snail mail or dropped off to the Parish Office.  
**Thank you**

#### 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.

Please note the library will not be open this weekend due to the Parish Pastoral Visitation, but will return next month on 17th November after 10AM MASS

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

#### **PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

The next meeting for the Parish Pastoral Council is on Tuesday, the 12th November at St John XXIII Meeting Room at 7pm.

#### St Francis Xavier's School

4 Carignane St, Wynn Vale

St Francis Xavier's School warmly invites you to celebrate the following occasions with us next term. This is an opportunity for all in our parish community to pray and participate in our celebrations together. Please sign in at the front office and you will be guided to the hall ready for our Masses and liturgies.

Week 5 - Monday 11th November Remembrance Day Prayer Service  
10:45am on basketball courts

Week 8 - Tuesday 3rd December St Francis Xavier's Day Liturgy at 9:15am Xavier Hall Hosted by Year 5

Wednesday 11th December End of Year Mass at 9:15am in Xavier Hall