



PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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**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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17th November 2019
33rd 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

Mon	18th Nov	Religious Education for Children	5pm - 6pm	Holy Trinity
Tue	19th Nov	Prayer Reflection	11am - 12noon	St John XXIII
Tue	19th Nov	Legion of Mary	12.30pm	Holy Trinity
Thur	21st Nov	Legion of Mary	7.30pm	
		Mother of Christ Praesidium (6 Metcalfe Ave Modbury Heights)		
Sat	23rd Nov	Sacramental Program	4pm	St John XXIII
Sun	24th Nov	Divine Mercy	3pm	Holy Trinity

OTHER ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Mon	18th Nov	Bowls	1pm - 3.30pm	St John XXIII
Tue	19th Nov	Reach Out	9.45am	St John XXIII
Wed	20th Nov	Senior Social Club	1pm	Holy Trinity
Fri	22nd Nov	Craft Group	9.30am - 12noon	St John XXIII
Sat	23rd Nov	Garden Group	9am - 12noon	St John XXIII
Sun	24th Nov	Volunteers BBQ	5pm	Holy Trinity

Endure with Faith and Hope

We are almost at the end of the Liturgical Year and the Church invites us to think about the final end of things and the importance of endurance. Today's gospel is filled with apocalyptic warnings. It also prepares us for the celebration of Christ as King of the universe next Sunday.

The announcement of the destruction of the Temple at Jerusalem in today's gospel is the last discourse of Jesus in Luke. It is quite near the end of His public life.

The prediction of Jesus came true when as a result of a rebellion by the Jews against the Romans, Jerusalem was besieged and the city and Temple were utterly destroyed. When this unthinkable thing had happened, for many Jews, including Jews converted to Christianity, it must have seemed like the end of the world. While Jesus was speaking of the fall of Jerusalem and the destruction of the Temple, those who were with him associated these events with the arrival of the Kingdom of God. Many of Jesus' followers recognized him as the Messiah and they wanted to crown him as their King. So, when Jesus spoke of destruction or anything that could be associated with war, his followers assumed that the day was

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near when Jesus would rule over them and the Roman domination would come to an end. They did not and could not comprehend the mission of Jesus and that the Kingdom of Jesus was not of this world.

Then, Jesus goes on to talk about the end of the world which would be preceded by all kinds of natural and man-made calamities like: wars; earthquakes; famines etc. He also speaks of the possible persecution and hatred which people will show towards them. When Jesus speaks of the persecutions awaiting his disciples, he consoles them saying that they should not be anxious about how they are to behave or what they are to say in such times. He gives them confidence when he tells them that they are not even to prepare their defence, because amidst all these, Jesus himself will give them eloquence and a wisdom that none of their opponents will be able to resist or contradict.

Now, many of the early Christians thought that persecution was also a sign of the coming end of the world. Jesus, however, reminds us that it is an integral part of the Church's ongoing life. Christianity and persecution will go hand in hand. And so, it has been. What then is the proper Christian attitude in the midst of these realities? The message of Jesus is loud and clear. It should be that of hopeful endurance, knowing that God's goodness will triumph over evil, and faith will overcome fear and suffering. He tells us strongly that we ought to remain close to him and be firm in our faith and the ultimate victory will be ours. This is not simply a utopian promise.

Yes, there will be an end. To many people the end of the world is tragic. Christianity, however, thinks otherwise. It is not an end but rather a beginning; an event not to be afraid of. The Gospel tells us that we are to get ready for that day when God will call us to himself. Our faith tells us that there is no need to live in fear and anxiety regarding the future. Rather, we are to focus on the present time, on today, the here and now. We are invited to seek and find him in all things, in every person, in every place, in every experience. We are called to prepare ourselves for the future by loving and serving others at every possible occasion. The gospel invites us to be prepared to receive the Lord worthily without any fear, to persevere in our living faith and look forward in hope.



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

Readings for next Sunday, 24th Nov 2019

1st Reading	2 Sam	5:1-3
2nd Reading	Col	1:12-20
Gospel	Luke	23:35-43

Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

18th Nov	Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts Peter & Paul, Apostles
21st	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
22nd	St Cecilia
23rd	St Columban, St Clement I

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:

Margaret Pitt, 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, 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

Thank You

Just a short 'note' at this stage to say thanks for all your good wishes and prayers for my recovery. I think I've "turned the corner". It may be some time before I can say Mass in church (I can at home where I remember you all with gratitude)

God Bless Fr Peter



CHILDREN'S PRAYER

Heavenly Father, thank you for the gift of faith. Help us to share it with whomever we meet. Amen.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY NOVEMBER BABIES

22nd Nov	Amanda Lunsden
23rd Nov	Helen Lineage, Bruce Uern



RESPONSORIAL PSALM: The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

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.*

Four calls for assistance this week calls,
covering 4 adults and 5 children

The compilation of the Christmas Hamper List
has commenced with requests being taken by the
Call Desk – 1300 729 902 – Not the Parish Office.
In this period we also take hamper requests from those
we are visiting for normal assistance.
The list currently stands at 9 – last year
we were able to provide 40.

Stamped (so the money goes into the local conference
account) envelopes are available for donations toward
the Christmas Appeal, and tax receipts will be provided.

Returned envelopes can be put on the second
collection, handed to a Vinnies member, or dropped off
at the Parish Office.

Now that the Giving Tree is in place, we ask that you
continue your generous support of the provision of
assistance by taking a tag from the tree and returning
the tag and food item to go into the hampers

Thank you and God Bless

REACH OUT GROUP

Tuesday 19th November 2019
9.15am Mass at St John XXIII
Followed by a cuppa.
All Welcome

Reader: Mary Mattner
Offertory: Irene & Rafael Melegh
Communion: Maureen Kenny & Margaret Dunn
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 Anna Mervart
No. 101

Drawn by Joy Knowles

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

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.

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.



PlenaryCouncil2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

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'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:

- 30th November at St John XXIII following 6pm Mass
- 8th 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

Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary will be holding a Memorial Mass for
all our deceased members, auxiliaries and families on
Wednesday 20th November
commencing with the Rosary at 6.30pm
All parishioners welcome

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Our next Sacramental Workshop
will be on next Saturday
23rd of November at 4pm
at St John XXIII.

Please bring the "Who am I am and who is God" booklet
to the workshop.

Bring along a plate of food to share
at the end of the session.

We ask our Parish Community to pray for the
children as they prepare to receive the
Sacraments of Reconciliation,
Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Lift up your heads and see;
your redemption is near at hand. 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:

Pat Cherry, Wei Xia, Judy & Ian Dalwood, David & Phyllis Truman, Weronika Zebol, Anne Craig, Dalle Nogare Family, Sheila Clark, The Bowman, Boog, & Tobe Families, Clem & Maureen Kenny, Ros Glastonbury, Joan Pfeiffer, Maria Trotta, S Telfer

"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.



DIVINE MERCY AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

The next Divine Mercy Eucharistic Adoration will be on Sunday, 24th November at 3pm at Holy Trinity Church, 3 James Street, Para Hills.

FIDELIS CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION 2019

You are invited to our Fidelis Christmas Celebration Thursday, 28th November 2019, 7:30pm Saint Ignatius' College, Junior School Holy Family Building, Queen Street, Norwood Mass followed by cocktail food, champagne and wine.

A donation of non-perishable food items for our St Vincent de Paul Society gift box is most welcome. These will be distributed to needy families at Christmas.

Members of St Ignatius Norwood Parish will have gifts and raffle tickets available to purchase.

Money raised will support Jesuit Missions. Please feel free to bring along friends who would like the chance to renew friendships.

RSVP: 26th November 2019
Monica Klingberg - 0403 508 904
or Mary Connelly - 8333 0492
fidelis@ignatius.sa.edu.au



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 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.

The Library will be open on—17th November after 10AM MASS.

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

GARDEN GROUP

Next gathering - Saturday 23rd November at Holy Trinity from 9am - 12 pm.

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



Notices following Mass

Notices following Mass should be kept to a minimum.

Commentators will only read those notices placed by the parish office.

Any other requests for notices **must** be approved by the celebrant before being read.