



PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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**CHILDREN'S LITURGY
CELEBRATED AT**

10AM MASS

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,

Parish Child Protection Officer

Therese Meyers 0421 533 761
Tash Souter 0422 270 655

16th February 2020
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A - White

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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
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	17th Feb	Religious Education for Children	5pm - 6pm	Holy Trinity
Tue	18th Feb	Prayer Reflection	11am - 12noon	St John XXIII
Tue	18th Feb	Legion of Mary	12.30pm	Holy Trinity
Thur	20th Feb	Legion of Mary	7.30pm	
		Mother of Christ Praesidium (6 Metcalfe Ave Modbury Heights)		
Sat	22nd Feb	Sacramental Program	4pm	St John XXIII

OTHER ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

Mon	17th Feb	Bowls	1pm	St John XXIII
Tue	18th Feb	Reach Out	9.45am	St John XXIII
Wed	19th Feb	Seniors Social Club	1pm	Holy Trinity
Fri	21st Feb	Craft Group	9.30am - 12noon	St John XXIII
Sat	22nd Feb	Garden Group	9am - 12noon	Holy Trinity

Not to Abolish but to Fulfil

Matthew continues the Sermon on the Mount with a three-part instruction by Jesus on the Way of Life in the kingdom of Heaven. Today's reading is part one and deals with the Law. Part two deals with worship and religious practice and contains the Lord's Prayer. Part three deals with trusting God and deeds of loving service to our neighbour. When Matthew speaks of "the Law and the Prophets" he means the whole Scripture. When the Messiah brings the fullness of the kingdom none of scripture will be done away with. Instead it will be fulfilled.

Matthew's Jesus does not overturn the Law of Moses, nor does He set his followers free from the Law. He requires his followers to go beyond the Law by doing more than what the Law requires. Today's gospel contains teachings about what has been heard in the past and what is to be listened to now. Jesus is not abolishing the Law and the traditions passed on through the Prophets. He is applying a proper spirit to what had become legalistic. In a sense, the dictates of the Law were for the head to inform or guide the five senses. The spirit of Jesus is from the heart as well as the mind.

When the Gospel states that Jesus came not to destroy the Law, but to fulfil it, it greatly surprised his audience. This is because Jesus was constantly accused of breaking the Law. People observed that He and his disciples did not wash hands

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prior to the meal that the Law demanded, He healed people on the Sabbath day, and now He speaks of the Law with veneration and reverence that no Scribe or Rabbi could exceed. He tells them that not even the smallest part of the Law will be changed and He is there to fulfil the Law and bring it to completion.

This confused the Jewish Christians and so Matthew constantly refers to the Old Testament to show that the life of Jesus is not a breakaway from the past Jewish traditions but is a continuation of all that was foretold by the prophecies of the Old Testament. The life and teaching of Jesus is not to be seen as a new religion; Jesus' life is the natural development and fulfilment of the story of salvation. Matthew shows that Jesus is the fulfilment of the Prophecies of the Old Testament.

He emphasises the close relationship between Jewish Law and the teachings of Jesus. He reassures his readers (He wrote for the Jews) that Jesus has not come to abolish the Law and the Prophets but to bring them to completion. So, in a sense, the Law still has its force and it will not pass away until it has achieved the purpose for which it was given. Jesus did appreciate the Scribes and the Pharisees for their careful observance of the Law and the Commandments. But Jesus was critical of their not keeping of the spirit of the Law.

They stressed on their personal motive and their own perfection and did not accept the love of God and their neighbour in practice. They were hypocrites in their behaviour. In order to make his disciples understand his teaching, Jesus gives six striking examples and in today's Gospel, we have four of them: anger, adultery, divorce and oath. He clearly states that it is not enough simply to keep what the Law tells us but practice the basic virtues attached to them. For him there can be no separation between our relationship with God and the relationship with people. A Christian has to find God in his brothers and sisters and in creation.



Readings for next Sunday, 23rd February 2020

1st Reading	Lev	19:1-2, 17-18
2nd Reading	1 Cor	3:16-23
Gospel	Mat	5:38-48

Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

17th Feb	The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
21st	St Peter Damian
22nd	The Chair of St Peter the Apostle

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:

Anne Van Der Arend, Gerry McConnell, Anthony Tuanqui, 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, 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

Zelda Smith, Phillip Smith, Michael Szysz, Jim Grantham, Veronica Nahimana, Mario Simionato, Imelda Schulz



Michael Paul Szysz, a fervent and long-standing altar server in his younger years at Holy Trinity Church, passed away in Switzerland, 24th January 2020, aged 38. He had been battling terminal cancer for the past 16 months. His funeral took place 14th February at St Maximilian Kolbe Church, Ottoway. May he now rest in peace.



VINNIES SA BUSHFIRE APPEAL

The parish has received a letter thanking us for our donations to the Bushfire Appeal.

They thank us for our concern and our generous assistance to South Australians in crisis.

Through donation to the open plate collection taken up on the weekend of 18th/19th January the parish raised \$1470 for this appeal.

This figure does not include sums donated by envelope as these were forwarded directly to St Vincent de Paul.

If you would still like to donate there are envelopes at the back of the church which can be returned on the second collection plate or you can donate online at

www.vinnies.org.au/SABushfireAppeal

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Our next Sacramental Workshop will be on Saturday 22nd February at 4pm at St John XXIII.

Please bring "The Confirmation" booklet to the workshop. Bring along a plate of food to share at the end of the session.

Children and their families are expected to stay for 6pm Mass as we will be presenting the children to the Parish Community

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

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.*

We've made home visits to 21 households in the first two weeks, with assistance requested in the form of food and clothing for 36 adults and 27 children.

Demand seems to be coming back to normal and the pantry has weathered the storm.

We have been able to provide some assistance with "back to school" costs through our Social Equity Fund.

The Crisis Collection envelopes will be going as a Parish contribution to a separate fund in State Office where it will be allocated directly to bush fire victims.

Our immediate needs in the pantry are Canned Carrots, Coffee, Long Life Milk, and small Vegemite.

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

Reach Out meetings start again this coming
Tuesday 18th February 2020
9.15am Mass at St John XXIII
Followed by Reach Out meeting and a cuppa.
All Welcome

Reader: Barbara Sorrell
Offertory: Irene & Rafael Melegh
Communion: Jos Hensing & Maureen Kenny
Altar Server: Ian Dalwood

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



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2020

Congratulations Olive McGovern
No. 76
Drawn by Margaret Geibel

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

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
FEBRUARY BABIES**

16th Feb Marianne Weaver
17th Feb Joanne Cruz,
Paul Holmes
18th Feb Catherine Agar



Liturgy Committee 2020

Liturgy is the centre of Christian life for the Church and is at the heart of all parish life.

The purpose of the liturgy committee is to ensure that liturgical celebrations are planned to lead to 'the active and full participation' of parishioners.

Responsibilities include discerning the liturgical and prayer needs of the worshipping communities, coordinating liturgical celebrations that are seasonal and extraordinary, evaluating liturgical ministries and ensuring compliance with Church directives.

The committee has a number of faithful members who have met their original commitment of three years.

At this stage in the life of the committee, we would like to invite other members of the parish to join us in our responsibilities. Broader representation on the committee of those connected to liturgy could broaden the activities of the committee.

If you or someone you know would like to see how the committee functions, you are welcome to join us at the next or any liturgy committee meeting on the first Wednesday of the month, from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

We are delighted to have each Eucharistic community represented on the committee; feel free to speak to any of the members about our activities and responsibilities.

Therese Meyers
Chairperson

Liturgy Assistants Roster April to June 2020

The liturgy assistants roster for April to June 2020 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, could you please pass that information either to the parish office or directly to Therese Meyers
Ph: 0421 533 761 or email: theresemeyers@gmail.com
by Tuesday 18 February 2020.

**Friendship Bowls Group
St John XXIII**

We are a small group of people who enjoy a friendly game of indoor carpet bowls, if you would like to join us you would be made most welcome!

We play on Mondays at 1pm till 3.30pm.

For further information contact
Judy Dalwood on 8264 3342
or Kath Hampton on 8265 3484

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.

Day of the Unborn Child Appeal

Thank you for your kind donations to the
Day of the Unborn Child Appeal.

The amount raised was \$898.20

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!

LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR FAITH

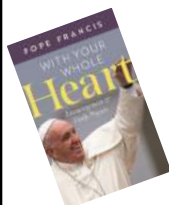
- Lives of the Saints
- Papal Encyclicals & Letters
- Teachings of the Magisterium
- Insights into the Gospels of Mark, John etc.
- How to read the Bible
- Does the Church still teach that?
- The persecuted Church
- Pilgrimages
- A Catholic perspective of World News
DVD Library every 3rd Sunday
of the month at Holy Trinity.

**The Library will be open on—16th February
after 10AM MASS.**

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

Lent & Easter Reflection Booklets

We have Lent and Easter Reflection Booklets
available for sale at the
back of the Church.



\$5

\$6



GARDEN GROUP

As the summer has been very dry, the garden soil has become hard and we are in need of help to loosen up the soil, if anyone has some organic matter such as compost and peat moss that they could donate to the Gardening Group please contact Jen Sherlock on: 8264 7590 or email: pa@paramodcath.com.au

New Horizons 2020 Youth Ministry Leaders Conference

**February 21-22, 2020,
St Mary's College, Veritas Centre, Adelaide**

New Horizons is a training and formation event for youth and young adult ministry leaders serving in schools, parishes and communities in the Archdiocese of Adelaide.

The conference will feature keynote presentations from Jane Angha of Ministry Blueprints in the USA, as well as many other workshops to assist leaders in ministry with young people.

Contact the Catholic Office for Youth and Young Adults for more details.

www.cathyouthadelaide.org.au



THE SOUTHERN CROSS

The February edition of the Southern Cross is now available.

Only \$2

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Stational Masses 2020

The Lenten Stational Masses provide an opportunity for the faithful in parishes in each Deanery cluster to come together with Archdiocesan leaders and local clergy to share the Lenten journey. Conscious of walking in the footsteps of Jesus, communities have a chance to meet, to pray, to celebrate the Eucharist and to be mindful of the needs of the wider community as we prepare our hearts and minds for the celebration of Easter. The tradition of celebrating Stational Masses echoes a practice in the early Church where the Pope, as Bishop of Rome, would walk in pilgrimage to all the Stational churches of the city to mark the season of Lent with his people. The Stational Mass is also an opportunity to present candidates, already baptised, who are seeking full communion with the Catholic Church.

Contact Kathy Horan – Office for Worship
E: khoran@ow.adelaide.catholic.org.au

Stational Masses Lent 2020

- Thursday March 5 at 7pm – Noarlunga Downs
Fr Josy Sebastian MSFS
- Wednesday March 11 at 7pm – Seaton
Fr Roger Manalo CS
- Thursday March 12 at 7pm – Payneham
Fr Allan Winter
- Sunday March 15 at 3pm - Mount Gambier
Fr Dean Marin
- Wednesday March 18 at 7pm – Glen Osmond
Fr Denis Travers
- Wednesday March 25 at 7pm – Kapunda
Fr Mark Sexton
- Thursday March 26 at 7pm – Tea Tree Gully
Fr James Jeyachandran OMI

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
Thursday 20 th February	6:30pm- 8:00pm	Henley Beach	420 Seaview Rd Henley Beach
Tuesday 25 th February	7:00pm- 8:30pm	Kensington	4 High St, Kensington Mary Mackillop Precinct, Bethany Centre
Saturday 29 th February	10:00am- 11:30am	Gawler	1 Parnell Square Gawler

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