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**CHILDREN'S LITURGY
CELEBRATED AT
10AM MASS**

BAPTISMS

BOOKINGS TO BE MADE
THROUGH THE PARISH OFFICE.

MARRIAGES

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

ST FRANCIS XAVIER'S
(PRIMARY) 8251 9500
CARIGNANE ST,
WYNN VALE 5127

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(SECONDARY) 8282 6600
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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A - 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.**

MASS TIMES

**ST JOHN XXIII
Hope Valley**

Monday 9.15am
Tuesday 9.15am
Thursday 9.15am
Saturday 6pm
Sunday 8am



**HOLY TRINITY
Para Hills**

Wednesday 7pm
Friday 9.15am
Saturday 9.15am
Sunday 10am

**Due to space restrictions and the need to socially distance
we are currently restricting attendance to
120 people at all Masses.
Please contact the Parish Office to book your place at Mass.**

Good News in Word and Deed: Give Them Something to Eat Yourselves

The central theme of today's readings is that God takes care of our physical and spiritual needs if we put our trust in Him. He shares with us Jesus as our Saviour and spiritual food, in Word and in Eucharist, thus preparing us for the Heavenly banquet, and challenges us to share our blessings with others.

In the first reading, Isaiah consoles the Jewish exiles in Babylon, assuring them of their return to homeland and promising them that Yahweh their God alone can and will provide for their spiritual and physical needs. He will pardon their sins and will offer them participation in His eschatological banquet. Today's Responsorial Psalm, has us sing, "The Hand of the Lord feeds us; He answers all our needs," in praise of the mercy, forgiveness and maternal care of a loving and providing God. In the second reading, Paul argues that since God's love for us is so immense and infinite, "nothing can come between us and the love of God made visible in Christ Jesus our Lord." In today's Gospel, Jesus demonstrates God's caring love for us by feeding the people: spiritually by his preaching and physically by the miraculous multiplication of five loaves and two fish, which the apostles had brought with them and which they gave Jesus to feed the people. This miracle shows the Divinity of Jesus, the providing care of God and the compassion of Jesus for the crowd. It is a Messianic sign, presenting Jesus as the new Moses who fed the Israelites in the desert and the new Elisha who miraculously fed the starving people of Gilgal (2 Kings 42-44). The Eucharistic wordings used, and the promise made by Jesus on the following day, that he would give his body and blood as food and drink (John 6:25-70), make the miracle a prefiguring symbol of the Holy Eucharist. He performs the four-fold action that prefigures the Eucharist: He takes, raising His eyes to Heaven blesses, breaks and gives the bread and fish to the assembled multitude, making of them a community of the Lord's banquet. Just as God supplies the needs of all living beings, so Jesus also heals the sick and feeds the hungry. This event indicates God's power in Christ as well as His mercy.

The miracle of the feeding of the 5,000 is found in all four Gospels, although the context and emphasis varies. Told no less than six times in the four Gospels, the event of the loaves and fish is the only miracle so emphasized. This is the only miracle, other than the Resurrection, that is told in all four Gospels, a fact that

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speaks of its importance to the early Church. [Compare Mark 6:35-44, Luke 9:12-17, and John 6:1-14]. In Matthew the Jewish symbolisms used are very important. For example, the word "basket" refers to the Jewish basket, and 12 suggests the twelve tribes. The language used echoes that of Moses feeding the people in the desert. The number 5 might refer in some way to the Pentateuch. The location is Jewish territory. The echoes of Moses are important for Matthew's Gospel because his community had only recently broken from the mother religion of Judaism and would like to claim for itself the fulfilment of what the Mosaic traditions pointed to.

Matthew also intentionally contrasts two "banquets": one hosted by Herod which resulted in the death of John the Baptist (Mt 14:1-12), and the feeding of a large crowd by Jesus near the shore of the Sea of Galilee (14:13-21). Herod's banquet took place in an environment of scheming and arrogance and concluded with a murder. Prior to feeding the crowd that was following him, Jesus felt compassion for their needs and healed their sick. Herod's banquet was held at a royal court. Jesus' meal with this crowd was performed in a "deserted" place or wilderness. Matthew uses these two meals, Herod's great banquet and Jesus' feeding of the 5,000, to prefigure Jesus' coming "Last Supper" and death. Jesus' path to kingship was quite the opposite of Herod's, which was littered with corpses. Jesus' path to kingship was the offering himself on behalf of others (20:28). In Matthew's account, this miracle happened right after the death of John the Baptist. Jesus' forerunner was dead; he had finished his work, and so he died at the hands of Herod. John's death foreshadowed Jesus' own death at the hands of Pontius Pilate.

Today's gospel invites us to nourish our souls with Jesus in Word and Sacrament. We nourish our souls with the Word of God (by listening to God through reading the Bible) and with the Bread of Life (by receiving Jesus in Holy Communion). We need to find time to be with Christ both in personal and family prayer and in Adoration of the Eucharist whenever this is available. One way of listening to God is to read a passage in the Bible until it speaks to the heart, then stop to reflect on the message God is conveying to our hearts. The next step is to respond to God by prayer, which is talking to Him, as to a friend in conversation, telling Him everything and asking Him for whatever we need.

Today's gospel also invites us to be "Eucharistic ministers." We too, can perform miracles in our own time and place, by imitating the four "Eucharistic actions" of Jesus: take humbly and generously what God gives us, bless it by offering it to others in God's love, break away from our own needs and selfish interests for the sake of others, give with joy-filled gratitude to God who has blessed us with so much. Yes, we need to be generous in sharing God's blessings. We should share our blessings with others around us, generously and sacrificially, in order to alleviate their spiritual and physical hunger. That is the miracle that we can work through our lives as we continue to live the messages of the gospel in our lives.

Janakumbidramalaka

Readings for next Sunday, 9th August 2020

1st Reading	1 Kgs	19:9, 11 - 13
2nd Reading	Rom	9:1 - 5
Gospel	Mat	14:22 - 33

Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

3rd Aug	St Dominic
4th Aug	St John Mary Vianney
5th Aug	The Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major
6th Aug	The Transfiguration of the Lord
7th Aug	St Sixtus II & Companions, St Cajetan
8th Aug	St Mary of the Cross

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:**

Robert Snell, Grace Tabone, Ursula Moore, Lil Buckley, Jason Mittiga, Pat Collins, Ruby Brokensha, Anne Van Der Arend, Gerry McConnell, Margaret Pitt, Patricia Kopf, Darcy Ridley, Paul Holmes, Father Peter Milburn, Maria Hand, Emma Gammon, Asher Caudle, David North, Elijah Neri, Wayne Collins, Marg Dolman, Sean Molloy, Antoinette Pascale, Charlotte Fussell, Phyllis Anthony, Reta Lockyer, John MacGrath, Ken Robinson, Graham Armstrong, Mary Redmond, Graham Speed, Marlen Piineda, David Truman, Bruce McAndie, Rosa Maria Santos, Betty Roper, Imperia De Ionno, Julie Reimann, Janice Forrester, Jim Marlow, Gerry Canavan, Jayden Lee, Marie Boulton, Gary Lockyer, Yvonne Summers, Sr. Marleen Dewar OLSH, Kay Kennedy, Rita Robinson

Recently Deceased

Alexander Donnelly, Nora Kearney



We welcome with joy
Marciana Belle Anastacio
Jovee Liguoria Fernando
who were baptised into our community during July.
Please show your support by remembering
them in your prayers.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY AUGUST BABIES

3rd Aug	Carolyn Ost
4th Aug	Gerry Giebel
7th Aug	Oliver Burke, Natalie Lambert, Shane Bowman



RESPONSORIAL PSALM: The hand of the Lord feeds us, he answers all our needs.

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



St Vincent de Paul Modbury Conference

Starting to get busy again this week,
with two calls for assistance – mostly for food.
We haven't needed any "top up" buying for our pantry
thanks to your generosity and the low call count
through the school holidays.

There are no real shortages at present in the pantry,
but we can always use

Tinned Tuna, Peanut Butter and Margarine.

It will greatly help if any or all of these items could be
placed in the Vinnies' collection basket.



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2020

Congratulations Margaret Penny
No. 78
Drawn by Maureen Frost

If you would like to be included in the draw
Please contact: Barbara Mathews 8258 8806

Chrism Mass

This year the Chrism Mass will be celebrated
on Tuesday, August 18 at 6.00pm
in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral.

Bookings can be made via
www.trybooking.com/BKOEW.

Please note NO onsite car parking will be available
for this Mass.

If you would like more information please contact
the Office for Worship on P: 8210 8287
or Archdiocesan Events on P: 8210 8220
or via Email: events@adelaide.catholic.org.au.

The Mass will also be live streamed
via the Archdiocesan website

CHILDREN'S PRAYER

Jesus, help us to share
Whatever we have with others
And not to be greedy in any way.
As we remember our brothers and sisters
In other countries who have no food,
We pray that the rest of the world
Will learn to share, too,
So that the world can be a happier place
Amen.



Novena Prayer for the Feast of St Mary MacKillop

Bountiful God you filled the heart of
Mary MacKillop with hospitable love,
especially for those at the margins of
our society. Deepen that love within
us that we may be: welcoming of the
stranger, willing to share our
resources, prepared to forgive
offences and hurts, ready to listen with open hearts and
eager to work for justice and unity. Companion us,
generous God, wherever there is an edge of need.
God of life we pray through the intercession of
St Mary MacKillop for renewed faith, hope and zest for
life. In the spirit of Mary of the Cross we pray for all
suffering the effects of natural disasters, recession and
war either in our own land or elsewhere. We pray for the
sick, the imprisoned, asylum seekers and those in need
or difficulty of any kind. We pray that we never see an
evil without trying to do something about it. May we grow
in trust in Your providence, hope in the saving grace of
Jesus Christ and courage in the transforming work of the
Holy Spirit and thus imitate the example of St Mary
MacKillop in our lives. Amen

Our Father.... Hail Mary.... Glory be...

A special mass will be celebrated
for the feast of St. Mary of the Cross
on the 8th of August at Holy Trinity Church
with Adoration at 6.30pm followed by Mass at 7pm.
All are welcome to give thanks to God
for this remarkable first Australian Saint.

Legion Of Mary

Our Lady of the
Holy Trinity Praesidium
has resumed meetings
every Tuesday 11.30am to 1pm
in the Hall at Holy Trinity.



Modbury Community and Craft Group



Meetings have resumed
Fridays 9.30 – 12noon
during school term
At St John XXIII



Strict social distancing will apply.

Please bring \$3 in coin
Bring your own cup or mug from home.
Names and phone numbers will be recorded.
Hand sanitizer will be available and everyone
is asked to clean their hands on entering.

LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING
The next Liturgy Committee Meeting
Wednesday 5th August at 7pm
Contact Therese Meyers on 0421 533 761

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Alleluia!**

Parish Groups

With the easing of restrictions some of our parish groups are resuming their activities.

All groups, whether your activities are for prayer, meetings or socialising, are required to contact the parish office before you resume your activities.

The organiser of the group will be required to provide a written plan detailing the steps that will be taken to help keep your members safe from COVID-19.

Please note that

- for the purpose of contact tracing everyone entering the Parish buildings must provide their full name and either a contact phone number or email.
- there are still some restrictions on the serving of tea, coffee, food or drinks.
- after the activity/meeting each group will be responsible for sanitising any chairs, pews and tables used during the activity along with other frequently touched surfaces such as door handles.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss restarting your group's activities please call the parish office.

New Direct Giving App

The Adelaide Archdiocese's **Find a Mass** App has been upgraded to allow us to contribute to both the first and second collections of our parish via a credit or debit card.

Users of the App can make a one-off donation or set up recurring donations to our parish and for the support of the clergy.

You are also able to contribute to the special collections which are held throughout the year.

Be aware

Your details will be securely saved for recurring donations.

Search 'Archdiocese of Adelaide' in your app store and download for easy and seamless donations to our parish.

On our Parish website you will be able to find a link to a PowerPoint presentation about using the App.

There is also a link to a YouTube video which demonstrates how the App works.

Masses Online & On Television

As we have been able to resume Masses We will no longer be streaming our Parish Masses.

For those still unable to attend Mass Sunday Mass is still screened on Free-To-Air TV

Channel 10 at 6am Sunday morning.
Channel 44 at 5pm Sunday afternoon.

(Please note the change to 5pm on Channel 44)

Or visit the Archdiocesan website adelaide.catholic.org.au for links to information, prayers and streamed Masses

Protocols For Attending Masses

Number Restrictions: to allow for social distancing we have limited the number of people to 120 at all Masses.

Contact Tracing: we are still required to keep a register of the name and phone number of everyone who attends Mass.

Booking Masses: We are taking bookings for 2 weeks at a time so please continue to book for Mass through the Parish office.

If you do not book a place you may risk being turned away due to a lack of space.

Pre booking greatly reduces the amount of time it takes to get parishioners details before Mass begins especially on the weekends when large numbers are attending.

When attending Mass you will be required to

- Arrive 10 - 15 minutes before Mass begins to give everyone time to have their names and numbers listed and be seated so that Mass can begin on time.
- Practice social distancing, especially moving during Communion and when entering and leaving the Church
- Follow the directions of ushers with regard to keeping social distancing in the pews.
- Practice good hand and respiratory hygiene.
- Limit your movements within the Church as much as possible.

We look forward to welcoming you back, but please remember that we are all required to follow the COVID safe restrictions placed by the government.

Breaching these restrictions could result in fines for both the Parish and individuals and could prevent us from continuing to celebrate Mass in our Churches.

PARISH RECORDS

As a Parish we need to regularly update our records of parishioners, as over the years there has been a number of changes as to how people communicate.

If you have changed your mobile phone number, landline or email address, could you please let the Parish Office know at your earliest convenience.

We would appreciate you providing us with the best phone number and email address to contact you on.

If you are a new parishioner to our Parish you can obtain a census card from the church foyer or the Parish Office.



THE SOUTHERN CROSS

The August edition of The Southern Cross is available from both Mass Centres and the Parish Office at a cost of \$2 or online at www.thesoutherncross.org.au