



# PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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## ST JOHN XXIII CHURCH

50 RESERVOIR RD,  
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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

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## PARISH CHILD PROTECTION OFFICER

THERESE MEYERS: 0421 533 761  
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11th October 2020

28th 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  
(Adoration Before Friday Mass  
commencing 8.30am)  
Saturday 9.15am  
Sunday 10am

**Due to space restrictions and the need to socially distance  
we are currently restricting attendance to  
100 people at Holy Trinity & 120 people at St John XXIII  
Please contact the Parish Office to book your place at Mass.**

## Fit for the Kingdom

In the Gospel Reading of today from St. Matthew, we have yet another Kingdom parable, 'the Parable of the Wedding Feast.' It is the third and last in the series of three consecutive parables, called 'the Parables of Rejection.' It is, as the others were, also addressed to the 'chief priests and elders of the people.' This parable of the wedding banquet like the parable of the vineyard and the wicked tenants has an allegorical emphasis. It stresses on the story of the salvation history from the initial sending of the prophets to Israel through the renewed invitation of the followers of Jesus. It concludes with the Last Judgment when the good and bad from among the community are sorted out. In the parable, Jesus tells that the Kingdom of Heaven is likened to a king who threw a party in honour of his son's wedding. When all the preparations for the royal wedding banquet have been made, the king sends his servants to inform those specially invited to come. But those invited refuse to come. So, he again sends his servants this time to plead that they come since everything is ready. But they had other priorities and disregarded the king's invitation. Worse still, they maltreated and killed the servants who brought the invitation. The king of course punished them for this insult by killing them and burning their cities.

The king is the figure of God. The wedding feast is the Jewish image of the life to come. The son is Jesus Christ. Those invited in the first and second time are the people of Israel. The king sends out his servants, referring to the long line of prophets sent to the people of Israel calling them to love and service. The king's second invitation underlies God's patience with His chosen people; He still hopes for a change of heart in them. But for one reason or another, they still refuse to come. All this is equal to rebellion; to disloyalty and we are told that the king dispatches troops to destroy those murderers and their city. With the repeated refusal of those originally invited, the servants are now sent out to the 'highways and by-ways' to invite 'whomever they find.' There is an urgency to respond to the king's call and no exceptions are made this time. All are invited, good and bad alike, until the wedding hall is filled. This is God's universal invitation to salvation. No one is excluded, however bad that person may be. We are all invited to God's gift of salvation.

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A sequel to this parable is another parable, 'the Parable of the Wedding Garment,' about one of the guests who came without the appropriate wedding garment. This too was an insult to the king and he was thrown out of the wedding hall. Strange! It seems a gross contradiction. It seems so unjust. Having gone out to the highways and byways to bring in all and sundry without exception, how can one justify tossing out someone because he does not have a 'wedding garment?' Yet, some reflection will reveal that it is really part of the same teaching. The Jewish leaders rejected Jesus. Other people, Jewish outcasts and pagans, were invited to take their place at the banquet. However, it is not enough just to be present at the banquet. One is expected to behave as a wedding guest. The Kingdom of Heaven is freely offered to us. Those of us on the way to the kingdom must spare no effort in acquiring the moral and spiritual character that is consonant with life in the Kingdom. What is our response going to be then? Have we ever thought that other things were more important, or that we were too busy to accept God's invitation to His table? To what extent, even right now, are we closed to calls from God because we are so tied up in all kinds of concerns and anxieties about things which do not really matter or about things which cannot guarantee us any real fulfillment and happiness?



### 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:**

Sandra Dini, Joan Walmsley, Ursula Moore, Lil Buckley, Jason Mittiga, Pat Collins, Ruby Brokensha, Anne Van Der Arend, 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, Jim Marlow, Gerry Canavan, Jayden Lee, Marie Boulton, Gary Lockyer, Yvonne Summers, Rita Robinson, Sr. Marleen Dewar OLSH, Kay Kennedy

### Recently Deceased

Johanna Fleuren, Sr Jan Cetta, Maria Rocca

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The next meeting for the Parish Pastoral Council is on Tuesday, the 13th October at St John XXIII Meeting Room at 7pm.

Readings for next Sunday, 18th October 2020

1st Reading	Is	45:1, 4 - 6
2nd Reading	Thes	1:1 - 5
Gospel	Mat	22:15 - 21

### Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

14th Oct	St Callistus I
15th Oct	St Theresa of Jesus
16th Oct	St Hedwig
	St Margaret Mary Alacoque
17th Oct	St Ignatius of Antioch



### FEAST DAY OF ST JOHN XXIII

**"I want to throw open the windows of the church so that we can see out and the people can see in"**

These words of St John XXIII brought real changes in the life of the church.

*Servus servorum Dei*; Servant of the servants of God. This was Pope John's preferred title.

Patron of Papal delegates, Patriarchy of Venice, Second Vatican Council

Birth: 1881: Named Angelo Guisepppe Roncalli  
 1885: He entered seminary at Bergamo  
 1904: Ordained as a priest  
 1944: appointed papal Nuncio to Paris.  
 1953: He became cardinal-patriarch of Venice.  
 1958: nearly 77 years old elected as Pope,

he chose the name of John after John the Baptist and because it was his father's name, and the name of the church he was baptised in.

Pope John XXIII's pontificate lasted less than five years, but it presented him to the entire world as an authentic image of the Good Shepherd. He summoned to meet the Roman Synod, established the Commission for the Revision of the Code of Canon Law and summoned the Second Vatican Council.

Pope John XXIII died on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 1963, in a spirit of profound trust in Jesus.

Beatified: 3rd September 2000 by Pope John Paul II

Canonized: 27th April 2014 by Pope Francis I

Feast day: 11th October

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY OCTOBER BABIES

12th Oct	Alexander Frost
13th Oct	Heidi Mallaghan, Michael Canavan
14th Oct	Pauline Norris
16th Oct	Dian Thalbourne



**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.**

**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**

Two calls this week to assist with requests for food and clothing – one to a single mother with one of her children with a disability, and caught in a high rent situation.

Our membership is still in need of extra numbers, whether to assist with home visiting or other roles.

We are driven by Vinnies policy to rotate the responsibilities in the Conference as much as possible to maintain capability.

Our monthly meetings are at St. John XXIII on the second Thursday at 4pm.

Our immediate needs in the pantry are  
**Jam, Rice, and Tinned Fruit**

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.

We are also seeking items for Gift Baskets which will be prepared, and sold closer to Christmas.

Donations of "gift" items such as Wine, Chocolates, Sweets, Nuts, Cosmetics, and Toiletries would be appreciated.

**Hoyle Green Development - Para Hills**

The Salisbury Council is currently developing the reserve on the western side of the Holy Trinity Church property into a housing development consisting of a cul-de-sac off O'Grady Drive providing access to 12 housing blocks. The walkway adjacent to the Kesters Road carpark is being retained to provide access from Kesters Road.

In the past stormwater from the church property, sheds and house has run or been directed into the reserve which has never caused a problem. Unfortunately, now with the adjacent housing development and stormwater not permitted to run into these new properties by law, our stormwater runoff must now be directed from the large carpark onto O'Grady Drive, from the house, sheds and paved area into the storm water pipes coming from the hall onto Kesters Road. The storm water from the Kesters Road carpark will now be directed into a stormwater pit installed by the council. A concrete kerb parallel to the fence on the Kesters Road carpark also needs to be constructed so the stormwater is directed into the stormwater pit.

There has been extensive consultation with the Salisbury Council with the following agreed outcomes. To obtain the correct fall to direct the water onto O'Grady Drive, the corner of the carpark needs to be raised about half a metre. To achieve this a retaining wall needs to be constructed at church cost (\$12000) with the carpark surface built up to obtain the correct fall. As the existing fence is not on the correct boundary it has been decided to replace the fence at the same time, so the retaining wall and fence are on the exact boundary to meet development rules. This will also avoid any problems with future neighbours once the blocks are sold off. The council has agreed to pay for new colour bond fence sheets with the church covering erection. The fence on the Kesters Road carpark is not in good shape with rotten wooden fence rails and not so good-looking fence sheets. The Council has also agreed to pay for new fence sheets 1800mm high to blend in with the existing fence behind the sheds with the church again covering erection.

To keep costs to a minimum we plan to erect the fence sheets ourselves at a working bee using volunteers as we have done in the past. The contractor is planning to start work on the retaining wall on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October and we have agreed to remove the old fence sheets and rails on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October. The working bee is now planned for this day so the new fence sheets and rails can also be replaced and completed at the same time on the Kesters Road carpark fence.

If fencing is your area of expertise or you do not mind doing some labouring please put this date in your diary and come along. It will likely take most of the day so we will start at 8am and a BBQ lunch will be provided. If you have the appropriate tools, such as an impact driver for tec screws, please bring that along as that will help get the job done quicker. If you are not able to help but would like to contribute, donations towards our costs will be gratefully received. We expect the total cost of the works to be around \$16000.

While we have no choice but to do this work, new fences and storm water drainage in conjunction with the housing development will improve the amenity of the area.



**DEVELOPMENT FUND 2020**

Congratulations  
No. 12

Alec Balayance  
Drawn by Louisa Jacka

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



**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM**

The 2020/21 Sacramental program has started. If you have children in Grade Three or higher who wish to join the program, but have not enrolled yet please contact Jen Sherlock

at the Parish Office: 8264 7590 or  
email: [pa@paramodcath.com.au](mailto:pa@paramodcath.com.au)

Our next Sacramental Workshop  
will be on Saturday  
17th of October at 4pm  
at St John XXIII.

Please pray for the children as they begin their preparation to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!**

## PRAYER MEETINGS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Tue 13th Oct	Legion of Mary	12.30am	Holy Trinity
Tue 13th Oct	Parish Pastoral Council	7pm	St John XXIII
Thur 15th Oct	Legion of Mary	6pm	Holy Trinity
Fri 16th Oct	Craft Group	9.30am - 12noon	St John XXIII
Sat 17th Oct	Sacramental Program	4pm	St John XXIII

### Adore Advent & Christmas Daily Reflections

Adore is an 88-page pocket-size book containing short spiritually rich, daily reflections from the beginning of Advent (29 November 2020) through to the Baptism of the Lord (10 January 2021).

We will be placing an order for the Adore Advent & Christmas Daily Reflection Book this year. Books will be \$4 each and will be available to collect from the Parish office in early November.

If you would like to purchase a copy please contact the Parish office before Friday 23rd October 2020 to place your order.

### Christian Life Program (CLP) For Women



#### Watch this space, for women only!

If you have answered yes to any of our questions in the past 7 weeks, we would like to personally invite you to join our Zoom Christian Life Program (CLP) starting 11 Oct 2020, Sunday, 2pm to 4:30pm for 7 consecutive Sundays concluding 22nd Nov 2020.

To express your interest please contact Angela Zakarias on 0401 205 636, leave your name, mobile number and/or email address.

### Port Pirie Bishop's Installation

Fr Karol Kulczycki SDS,

Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Port Pirie, will be installed on Wednesday October 28 at St Mark's Cathedral, Port Pirie, after being ordained in Poland on September 29. His installation Mass will have limited attendees due to COVID-19 restrictions but will be live streamed at [www.pp.catholic.org.au](http://www.pp.catholic.org.au)

### Spam Emails

#### Please note that parishes and priests do not solicit donations by email.

We have had reports of people being approached via email by someone falsely claiming to be Fr Manu and asking the recipient to purchase vouchers or gift cards. If you should receive such an email please do not respond, or purchase vouchers or gift cards.

### THE SOUTHERN CROSS

The October 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](http://www.thesoutherncross.org.au)



National Carers Week in Australia will be celebrated from Sunday 11th to Saturday 17th October.

National Carers Week is about recognising and celebrating the outstanding contribution unpaid carers make to our nation.

There are over 2.7 million family and friend carers in Australia providing 36 million hours of care and support every week\* to a family member or friend who has a disability, mental illness, drug and/or alcohol dependency, chronic condition, terminal illness or who is frail.

The replacement value of that unpaid care is \$1.1 billion per week.

Anyone at any time can become a carer.

National Carers Week is an opportunity to educate and raise awareness among all Australians about the diversity of carers and their caring roles.

\*Source: All About Carers: [carersaustralia.com.au](http://carersaustralia.com.au)



Next weekend our parish will be holding the annual Catholic Mission Church Appeal.

This year we are invited to partner with the Church in Cambodia, which is reaching out to those who have been affected by disability and giving them hope and support to live a fulfilling life.

Chen was just 16 years old when he lost both his legs in a landmine accident. Knowing that his life would never be the same, he felt hopeless, until he and his family were approached by the Arrupe Centre. Led by Bishop Enrique Figaredo Alvargonzalez, the Arrupe Centre provides children like Chen with support and opportunities they may not access otherwise.

Next week you will be offered the opportunity to personally partner with the Church in Cambodia as a monthly giving partner, with all gifts specifically directed to support community and child focused programs in Cambodia. Please come prepared to give generously.



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