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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

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ST JOHN XXIII CHURCH

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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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25th October 2020 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A - Green

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We acknowledge the Kaurna 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.

Volunteers Weekend

Today we celebrate our wonderful volunteers.

As we look back on what has been an incredibly different and difficult year because of COVID 19, we are left amazed and thankful for what has been achieved in the parish through the activities of our many volunteers.

Often a volunteer will tell us that they only do a small thing, but we know that everything you do makes a difference, and the collected works of all of our volunteers makes our parish the vibrant community that it is.

We particularly want to thank all of those among you who have

who have not yet been able to return to Mass.

For all your time, effort, hard work, and prayers, please accept the thanks and appreciation of this parish, its leaders and the staff.

Thanks for being so selfless, thanks for volunteering...

made sure to check on the welfare of our fellow parishioners

your actions are priceless.
You have truly been a blessing to this congregation!

Please join us for a cuppa after Mass.

Due to COVID restrictions we are unable to accept donations of food.





The Greatest Commandment

The central theme of today's readings is the greatest Commandment in the Bible, namely, to respond to God's Infinite Love for us by loving Him, and to express that love in action by loving Him in our neighbour. The first reading, taken from Exodus, explains the different expressions of the love of one's neighbour, especially of the underprivileged. In the Gospel today, Jesus combines the commandment to love God with the commandment to love one's neighbour and gives the result as the one Commandment of supreme importance in Christian life.

A Pharisee, who believed in both the written Law and the oral tradition, was pleased to see how Jesus defeated the Sadducee who had tried to humiliate Him with the hypothetical case of a woman who married seven husbands. Out of admiration, he asked Jesus to summarize the most important of the Mosaic Laws in one sentence. This was a challenge because, in the Judaism of Jesus' day, there was a double tendency to expand the Mosaic Law into hundreds of rules and regulations and to condense the 613 precepts of the Torah into a single sentence or few sentences. Some Bible scholars think that it was a question to trap Jesus because the Pharisees believed that each one of the 613 commands (mitzot) in the Torah were equally important and necessary to obey. Therefore, they were trying to corner Jesus into showing either ignorance about the Law, or disrespect for parts of it by choosing one command over the others. Jesus' answer teaches us that the most important commandment is to love God in loving others and to love others in loving God. In other words, we are to love God and express it by loving our neighbour because God lives in him or her.

Jesus gave the Pharisee a straightforward answer, quoting directly from the Law itself and startling his listeners with his profound simplicity and mastery of the Law of God and its purpose. He cited the first sentence of the Jewish Shema prayer: ... "Therefore, you shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength" (Deuteronomy 6:5). Then He added its complementary law: "You shall love your neighbour as yourself" (Leviticus 19:18). Finally, He declared that the "whole Law and the prophets" depended on the commands to love God "with all your heart, with all your soul and all your mind" and to love "your neighbour as yourself." Jesus

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combined the originally separate commandments and presented them as the essence of true religion. "The summary of the law is not original with Jesus. Its two parts represent a combination of Dt 6: 5 and Lev 19: 18. Nor is the combination itself original to Jesus, for it is found in at least one earlier Jewish work, the Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs" (Fr. R. H. Fuller). The uniqueness of Jesus' response consisted in the fact that he understood the two laws as having equal value or importance. We are to love our neighbour and our self as a way to love God: God gives us our neighbours to love so that we may learn to love Him. Thus, Jesus proclaims that true religion loves God both directly and as living in our neighbour. Biblical love of God is responsive gratitude for, and remembrance of, what God has done for us, rather than an independent project we undertake for God.

Jesus underlines the principle that we are to love our neighbour as we love ourselves because both of us bear God's image, and to honour God's image is to honour Him. Love for our neighbour is a matter, not of feelings, but of deeds by which we share with others the unmerited love that God lavishes on us. This is the love for neighbour that God commands in His law. Since the Jews considered only their fellow-Jews as neighbours, Jesus used the parable of the Good Samaritan, as reported in Luke's Gospel, to show them what God means by "neighbour."

Loving God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength means that we should place God's will ahead of ours, seek the Lord's will in all things and make it paramount in our lives. There are several means by which we can express our love for God and our gratitude to Him for His blessings, acknowledging our total dependence on Him. We must keep God's commandments, and offer daily prayers of thanksgiving, praise and petition. We also need to read and meditate on His word in the Bible, and accept His invitation to join Him in the Mass and other liturgical functions when we can.

God's will is that we should love everyone, seeing Him in our neighbour. Since every human being is the child of God and the dwelling place of the Spirit of God, we are actually giving expression to our love of God by loving our neighbour as Jesus loves him or her. This means we need to help, support, encourage, forgive, and pray for everyone without discrimination based on colour, race, gender, age, wealth or social status. Forgiveness, too, is vital. We love others by refusing to hold a grudge for a wrong done to us. Even a rebuke can be an act of love, if it is done with the right heart. We also express love through encouragement and by helping each other to grow. We express love by meeting a need that God has given us the power to meet, by comforting each other, by teaching each other and by sharing the Gospel, in deeds and in words.

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ST VINCENT DE PAUL HQ: 1300 729 202 from 9.00am — 1.00pm

or www.vinnies.org.au



St Vincent de Paul Modbury Conference

Still very quiet with calls not picking up yet.
Our pantry stocks are holding well in the circumstances, but that enables us to get a start on the Christmas Hamper contents.
Tinned Veg, Tinned Fruit and Gravox will be set aside for the expected hamper requests, taking some pressure off the Giving Tree.

If you can, please put any or all of these in the basket. We really appreciate your assistance.

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.



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2020

Congratulations No. 99 Doug Tilley Drawn by Jim Bell

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 the Parish Office: 8264 7590

Our next Sacramental Workshop will be on Saturday 31st 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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY OCTOBER BABIES

25th Oct James Irwin 27th Oct Marg Dolman

29th Oct Stephen Irwin, Leo North,

Therese Meyers

30th Oct Kylie Tye, Sheila Clark



Readings for next Sunday, 1st November 2020

 1st Reading
 Rv
 7:2 - 4. 9-14

 2nd Reading
 1 Jn
 3:1 - 3

 Gospel
 Mat
 5:1 - 12

Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

28th Oct Sts Simon & Jude, Apostles

Our Community's Prayer Petitions

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> 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

Ronald Raymond, Johanna Fleuren, Sr Jan Cetta, Maria Rocca

Holy Trinity Essential Fencing and Drainage Work

With the Salisbury Council developing the reserve on the western side of the Holy Trinity Church property there are several items of essential work which need to be completed, including

- Redirecting the stormwater run off from the church property, sheds and house.
- The building of a retaining wall and raising the level of the corner of the carpark.
- Building a concrete curb parallel to the fence on the Kesters Road carpark so the stormwater is directed into the stormwater pit.
- Replacing some of the fencing.

To keep costs to a minimum some of the work will be done by volunteers, however the expected cost of the works will still be around \$16,000.

If you are able to contribute, donations would be gratefully received.

We would like to thank all those who have already financially contributed and the volunteers who helped out during our working bee on Saturday.

PRAYER MEETINGS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Mon	26th Oct	Parish Finance Council	7.30pm	St John XXIII
Tue	27th Oct	Legion of Mary	12.30am	Holy Trinity
Thur	29th Oct	Legion of Mary	6pm	Holy Trinity
Fri	30th Oct	Craft Group	9.30am - 12noon	St John XXIII
Sat	31st Oct	Sacrament Program	4pm	St John XXIII

Masses Online & On Television

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.

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

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.

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

Carols Night Cancellation

With great sadness, we need to let you know that, because of COVID 19 restrictions, we have had to cancel our Carols Night which would have been held on Friday 11th December.



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.

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.

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



Thank you for supporting this year's Catholic Mission Church Appeal through your kind gifts and prayers.

Your generosity makes it possible for people, through programs such as the Arrupe Centre, to continue reaching out and empowering people like Chen and his family.

Thank you also to so many parishioners who have become monthly giving partners through our Cambodia Mission Partners program.

For more information about the work of Catholic Mission in Cambodia and around the world, please contact our friendly team at the freecall number below, or at catholicmission.org.au/contact.



Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/cambodia

