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ST JOHN XXIII CHURCH

50 RESERVOIR RD, HOPE VALLEY 5090

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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PARISH CHILD PROTECTION OFFICER

THERESE MEYERS: 0421 533 761 TASH SOUTER: 8264 7590 2nd May 2021 5th Sunday of Easter, Year B - White Bulletin Vol.18 Issue 15

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 Mass

commencing 8.30am)
Saturday 9.15am
Sunday 10am

Reconciliation (Confession) Saturday after 9.15am Mass at Holy Trinity and 5.30pm at St John XXIII

Due to COVID-19 numbers at services are restricted.

At Holy Trinity, due to numbers some people may be required to be seated in the hall, where the Mass will be live streamed. Communion will be brought to those in the hall.

There is also a requirement for people attending

10am Mass at Holy Trinity to wear a mask.

Everyone attending Mass is required to provide their full name and a contact phone number or email address for the purpose of contact tracing. COVID-SAFE check in using a QR code is available at all Masses.

Like the Vine and the Branches

In the Gospel, taken from the Last Supper discourse, Jesus uses his favourite image of the vine and branches to help his disciples understand the closeness of their relationship with him and the necessity of their maintaining it. Jesus explains to his apostles how they and their disciples can carry on when he is no longer bodily or physically present. They are not simply rabbi and disciples. Their lives are fully connected; as close as a vine and its branches. In fact, in using this image, Jesus is explaining to them and to us what our relationship with him should be like. There are numerous Old Testament passages which refer to Israel as a vine. "The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel," sings the prophet Isaiah in his song of the Vineyard (Is 5:1-7). "Yet I planted you a choice vine" is God's message to Israel through Jeremiah (Jer 2:21). "Israel is a luxuriant vine," says Hosea (Hos 10:1). The vine was a part and parcel of Jewish imagery and the very symbol of Israel, serving as an emblem on the coins of the Maccabees. One of the glories of the Temple was the great golden vine upon the front of the Holy Place. But the symbol of the vine is mostly used in the Old Testament to express the idea of degeneration and infidelity deserving of Yahweh's severe punishment. That is why Ezekiel says that it should be burned in the fire (Ez 15). Since Israel has become a degenerate vine producing wild and bitter grapes, Jesus makes the unique claim that he is the true and ideal Vine and his disciples are the living and fruit-producing branches. Jesus is the true Vine, because the old vine, the original chosen people, was succeeded by the new Vine, the Church, the Mystical Body whose Head is Christ (cf. 1 Cor 3:9). To be fruitful, one must be joined to the new, true Vine, Christ. It is living the life of Christ, the life of grace, which gives the believer the nourishment which enables him or her to yield the fruits of eternal life. This image of the Vine also helps us to understand the unity of the Church. St. Paul explains that we are

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Christ's Mystical Body in which all the members are intimately united with the Head and united to one another (1 Cor 12:12-26; Rom 12:4-5; Eph 4: 15-16).

John describes God as the Vine-grower who has planted a vine, Jesus. The Father removes every branch that bears no fruit and prunes the other branches, so they may bear more fruit. Jesus tells his apostles that they have already been pruned by the words He has spoken to them. He refers to the announcement that He will soon be leaving them by His death on the cross. The apostles will not feel the full impact of this "pruning" until Jesus is actually taken away from them in death. Eventually, they will be pruned of all attachment to the things of this world so that they may be ready to attach themselves to the things of Heaven.

Even a well-pruned branch cannot bear grapes unless it abides in the vine, drawing water and minerals from the main trunk and transporting food prepared in the leaves to the main trunk and to the roots. Jesus reminds us that we cannot bear fruit either, unless we abide in him just as he abides in us. Jesus says, "I am the vine, you are the branches." What Jesus means is that by abiding in Him we will bear much fruit, and that apart from Him we can do nothing. Abiding in Christ means that God has to be inside us and we have to be inside God. We abide in Christ by drawing near to God and by experiencing His being near to us, that is, by living every moment as He has commanded us to do, with the radiant presence of Christ all around us. This life of intimate union with Christ in the Church is maintained by the spiritual help common to all the faithful, chiefly by active participation in the Liturgy. Those of us who do not abide in Jesus will wither and be thrown away, just as withered branches are thrown into the fire to be burned.

We need pruning in our Christian life. Cutting out of our lives everything that is contrary to the spirit of Jesus and renewing our commitment to Christian ideals in our lives every day is the first type of self-imposed pruning expected of us. A second means of pruning is practicing self-control over our evil inclinations, sinful addictions and aberrations. Cordial mingling with people of different cultures, races, religions and orientations in our neighbourhood and society enables us to prune away our selfish and prejudicial tendencies and to treat others in our society with Christian charity and openness. Jesus prunes, purifies and strengthens us by allowing us to face pain and suffering, contradictions and difficulties with courage of our Christian convictions.

Let us abide in Christ and let Christ abide in us. Personal and liturgical prayers, frequenting of the Sacraments of the Holy Eucharist and Reconciliation, daily and meditative reading of the Bible and selfless, loving acts of kindness and mercy and forgiveness enable us to abide in Jesus, the true Vine, as fruit-bearing branches.

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Readings for next Sunday, 9th May 2021

1st Reading Acts 10:25 - 26, 34 - 35, 44 - 48 2nd Reading 1Jn 4:7 - 10 Gospel Jn 15:9 - 17

Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

3rd May Sts Philip & James, 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:

Mary Rose Probst, Molly Holmes, Maria Trotta, Darryl McManus, Joan Walmsley, Ursula Moore, Lil Buckley, Jason Mittiga, Pat Collins, Ruby Brokensha, Anne Van Der Arend, Margaret Pitt, Patricia Kopf, Darcy Ridley, Jayden Lee, 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, Rosa Maria Santos, Betty Roper, Imperia De Ionno, Julie Reimann, Jim Marlow, Gerry Canavan, Kay Kennedy, Marie Boulton, Gary Lockyer, Yvonne Summers, Rita Robinson, Sr. Marleen Dewar OLSH

Recently Deceased

Paul Holmes, John Caruana



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Our next workshop in the Sacramental Program will be on Saturday 8th May 4pm at St John XXIII.

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

CHILDREN'S PRAYER



Dear God, you have made us the living branches of Jesus, the true vine.

May we glorify you by our words and deeds.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen

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



St Vincent de Paul **Modbury Conference**

Another week of low demand with only one call – a woman who wanted towels, blankets and curtains as well as the food: we are able to cover this with Vinnies Gift Cards and a blanket voucher that is honoured by the Vinnies shops.

We will probably see a surge of requests for assistance as Winter starts, and arrival of power bills.

May 8,9 is the weekend of the Vinnies Winter Appeal. With the difficulty of fund raising in COVID times, your support is even more needed to support our function. Envelopes will be distributed for donations and receipts will be provided for tax purposes. Please consider a donation to the Conference – some envelopes will be left at the Parish Office as well.

> Pantry needs this week are Tinned Spaghetti, Rice, small Vegemite and Tinned Peas/Beans if you can help.

St Joseph's Devotion



Wednesday 5th May at Holy Trinity Church Praying for Restoration of Family Life, Sanctification of Priesthood and Protection of the Unborn. Prayers to St Joseph and Rosary start at 6.30pm, followed by Mass at 7pm and finishing with Adoration and Benediction.

"I put all my desires, cares and wishes for you in the Sacred Heart. I know it protects and guards you." (St Mary of the Cross MacKillop)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education for school aged children Resumes on Monday 3rd May at 4pm in the Holy Trinity Hall

If you have children who would like to join the program please contact

Tash Souter at the Parish Office.

Marian Procession

The 2021 Marian Procession and Peace Rally will be held on Sunday May 16 at the Adelaide Showgrounds. The Procession commences at 2pm and all are invited to attend with their parish or community under their banner. Please visit trybooking to book your ticket. https://www.trybooking.com/BPJAN

For more information please contact Archdiocesan Events on P: (08) 8210 8220 or E: events@adelaide.catholic.org.au

Update of St John XXIII Land Sale

Following consultation with the community in 2020 the Parish Finance Council (PFC) and Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) agreed to progress the sale of the excess land at St John XXIII.

An initial application was lodged with the Archdiocesan head office but more information regarding the land division and financial costs and benefits was required by the new Archbishop. As this information was outside our ability to provide we have hired a consultant at a cost of \$3000 to prepare a report. The report is expected to be completed and forwarded to the Parish Finance Council by mid May. It will then be considered by the PFC and PPC before being forwarded to the Archbishop for his decision.

Rest assured that the community will be kept informed as the process continues

> John Jarrod Chair, Parish Finance Council

May Mass Counts



The Archdiocese of Adelaide conducts a Count of Attendance for All Masses and Other Sunday Assemblies held on weekends during the month of May each year. The information gathered is used by the archdiocese in its pastoral

planning and financial reporting. This year it is also the 5-yearly National Count of Attendance conducted by the Pastoral Research Office of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference (ACBC). This year the two counts have been incorporated together and are being coordinated by the Archbishop's office.

We are required by the Archdiocese to conduct attendance counts over four consecutive weekends in May. We have opted to begin on the weekend of 8th/9th, May and will continue each weekend until we conclude on the 29th/30th May. The count will be taken at each of the 6pm Saturday, 8am and 10am Sunday Masses over those 4 consecutive weekends.

Parishes have this year been asked to provide information on the age and gender of those who attend Mass and Sunday assemblies as this data is no longer accessible via the source previously used. This information does not fall under privacy legislation as it will be reported as aggregate, not specific data.

To simplify the collection process, we have decided to include the collection of data onto our Mass booking sheets. Welcomers will be asking you to identify as Male or Female and to use a number from 1-5 to identify which of the 5 age categories you are in. Doing this means we can conduct the count without any disturbance to the Mass.

LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Liturgy Committee Meeting Wednesday 5th May at 7pm Contact Therese Meyers on 0421 533 761

<u>PRAYER MEETINGS</u> **Holy Trinity** 3rd May Religious Education for Children Mon 4pm 12.30pm **Holy Trinity** Tue 4th May Legion of Mary Wed 5th May St Joseph's Devotion 6.30pm **Holy Trinity** Fri 7th May Two Hearts Prayer Group 8pm - 4am 8pm Rosary, 9pm and 3am Mass **Holy Trinity** Sat 8th May Sacramental Program 4pm St John XXIII Sun 9th May Legion of Mary, Curia 2pm - 4pm **Holy Trinity**

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Mon	3rd May	Bowls Group	1pm - 3.30pm	St John XXIII
Wed	5th May	Holy Trinity Seniors	1pm	Holy Trinity
Wed	5th May	Liturgy Committee	7pm	Private Residence
Fri	7th May	Craft Group	9.30am - 12 noon	St John XXIII
Sat	8th May	Treasure Market	8am - 12 noon	St John XXIII



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2021

Congratulations to our winner No 77, Margaret Dunn Drawn by Louisa Ellames If you would like to be included in the draw Please contact: Barbara Mathews 8258 8806

Message to all Reach Out Members and Friends

Just a reminder that we will be getting together for Morning Tea at the Salvation Army OASIS Café after the 9.15 am Mass at St John XXIII this coming Tuesday 4th MAY. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

Maureen Kenny

Mary MacKillop: Aussie Pioneer and Changemaker

Sunday 16 May 2.00pm - 4.00pm Bethany Centre, 4 High Street, Kensington Presenter: Peter Cahalan Registration not required

Peter Cahalan, inaugural History Trust CEO, will discuss Mary MacKillop, the national changemaker whose work as a pioneering educator and social reformer changed the lives of countless Australians. Commencing in Penola SA (1866) her outreach grew exponentially as courageous young women joined her in Adelaide from mid-1867, spreading their work across South Australia and thence into the other Australian colonies and New Zealand.

> Mary's story continues to touch hearts: her I legacy lives on!

Following his talk in Bethany Centre, Peter will be joined by Mary MacKillop Museum Director, Mary Ryan rsj, for a Q&A time, then a guided tour of the Museum.

Cost: \$10 adults (includes Mary MacKillop Museum Admission; children free)

Enquiries: Phone: 8130 5900 Email: infosa@sosj.org.au

THE SOUTHERN CROSS

The May 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

TREASURE MARKET

Second Saturday of each month 8am to 12noon Next: 8th May 2021 St John XXIII Centre Sellers \$10—Buyers free!

PLEASE SEND SMALLER GOODS OUR WAY, THEY CAN BE LEFT ON THE SHELVES IN THE **MARKET WALKWAY** OR IN THE BOX AT THE BACK OF ST JOHN XXIII CHURCH, ALSO IN A BOX IN THE CRY ROOM AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.

> All monies raised from the Market are donated to the Parish.

WE CAN NO LONGER ACCEPT LARGE ITEMS SUCH AS TVs, MATTRESSES, SOFAS, LOUNGE **CHAIRS & WARDROBES AS WE ARE NOT ABLE** TO SELL THEM.

COVID SAFE REQUIREMENTS WILL APPLY

Music Workshop with Gen Bryant

2pm - 4pm Saturday May 22
at the Monastery Glen Osmond.

A FREE EVENT
with renowned Catholic musician, Gen Bryant!
This workshop is for young people who are passionate about music and are involved in music in their school, church or work.

Come along to pick up some awesome new skills!
Register at: https://www.trybooking.com/BQOHF
We hope to see you there!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MAY BABIES

2nd May Hannah Marie Craig 3rd May Nikki Woodlands 4th May Sandra Vella



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