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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

171 KESTERS ROAD,
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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

ST FRANCIS XAVIER'S

(PRIMARY) 8251 9500
CARIGNANE ST,
WYNN VALE 5127

GLEESON COLLEGE

(SECONDARY) 8282 6600
40-60 SURREY FARM DRIVE,
GOLDEN GROVE 5125

PARISH CHILD PROTECTION OFFICER

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29th August 2021

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B - 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 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**

**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 encouraged.**

Due to current regulations masks are required at all Masses.

**Please keep yourselves updated on the latest health advice
as regulations can change rapidly.**

Inner Realities and the Spirit of the Law

Today's gospel explains what true religion is. It is not simply a scrupulous, external observance of rules, laws, traditions and rituals. It is a loving, obedient relationship with God expressed in obeying His Commandments, worshipping Him, recognizing His presence in other human beings and rendering them loving and humble service. Prayers, rituals, Sacraments and religious practices only help us to practice this true religion in our daily lives. Jesus describes true religion as serving God and all His children with a pure and holy heart. The occasion is a debate between Jesus and the Pharisees on the subject of "Tradition." Jesus warns the Pharisees against their tendency to equate traditional "human precepts" with God's will. He blames the scribes and the Pharisees for giving undue importance to external observances in the name of "tradition," while ignoring the Law's real spirit. True religion should focus on the essentials. In particular, Jesus criticizes Pharisaic observance of ritual washing and declares that it is our inner motivations and dispositions that produce our purity or impurity.

The Jews considered the Law, Torah, as revelation from God. They considered the "Written Law" or Torah or the Law of Moses (the first five books of the Bible), and the "Oral Law" (clarifications of, and additions to, the Mosaic Law given by scribes from the fifth century B.C.), as equally holy and binding. These oral laws, known in Jesus' time as the "Traditions of the Elders," were a series of oral traditions intended to act as "a fence around the Law," so that the Mosaic Law itself, and, thus, the Covenant, would never be violated. In spite of these noble intentions, however, by the time of Jesus, their religion had degenerated, being

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reduced to only the exact performance of external rituals. It is no wonder, then, that the scribes and Pharisees were scandalized by the revolutionary teaching of Jesus, by the unique Divine and Messianic claims made by him and by his violations of the "Traditions of the Elders"! Hence, the supreme governing body of Judaism, the Sanhedrin, sent from Jerusalem as observers a team of scribes (experts in the Jewish Law), to assess Jesus' claims, miracles, violations of traditions and controversial teachings. A few of the local Pharisees accompanied the experts and started questioning Jesus when they noticed that Jesus' disciples had omitted the ritual cleansing of hands before a party meal.

In response to the Sanhedrin's public criticism, Jesus stands in the prophetic tradition by citing Isaiah 29:13, where the prophet criticizes the tendency to "teach mere human precepts as dogmas." "This people pay Me lip-service but their heart is far from Me. Empty is the reverence they do Me, because they teach as dogmas mere human precepts." Originally the religious traditions were intended to symbolize inner realities that are outward signs of inward devotion to God's Will. But the Pharisees were using them to boost their own egos. Hence, Jesus flatly denied that external things or circumstances could separate a person from God. Jesus was not criticizing rituals given in the Mosaic Law, but the giving of disproportionate importance to these things while neglecting what was far more important, the love of God and the care for one's fellow-human beings. By insisting that uncleanness comes from violations of the moral law rather than of minute ritual prescriptions, Jesus denied a basic principle of Jewish religion. Jesus contradicted the Pharisees, not because he undervalued the Jewish Law, but because he understood that Mosaic Law was primarily about love and freedom, and that its ritual elements were all subordinate to this primary concern.

As illustrations of the evils which really make a person sinful and alienate him from God, Jesus mentions six evil acts: practices of sexual immorality, thefts, murders, adultery, acts of coveting or lust, and wickedness in general. Then he adds a checklist of six vices or sins of the heart: deceit (lying), wantonness (shamelessness, immodesty), jealousy or envy, slander (imputing evil to others), pride (arrogance), and folly (the stupidity of one lacking moral judgment). The point is clear. Righteousness is not what we do on the outside, but who we are on the inside. Righteousness is not about the hand; it is about the heart. What makes a person holy are the attitudes and actions that Paul in Gal 5:22-23 lists as "the fruit" of the Spirit: "love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control." Listening to the voice of Jesus today, let us accept the challenge to become hearers and doers of God's word.

Janet Sambidramalek

Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

3rd Sep St Gregory the Great
Ember Day

Readings for next Sunday, 5th September 2021

1st Reading	Is	35:4 - 7
2nd Reading	Jas	2:1 - 5
Gospel	Mk	7:31 - 37

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:

Allan Searle, Anne Valentine, Ken Randell,
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, Reta Lockyer, John MacGrath,
Ken Robinson, Mary Redmond, Graham Speed,
Marlen Piineda, David Truman, Rosa Maria Santos,
Betty Roper, Imperia De Ionno, Julie Reimann,
Gerry Canavan, Kay Kennedy, Marie Boulton,
Gary Lockyer, Yvonne Summers, Rita Robinson,
Sr. Marleen Dewar OLSH, Emelia Pudelek

Recently Deceased Phyllis Anthony

FIRST SATURDAY MASS

4th September 2021 9.15am
HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
Holy Rosary for PEACE in the world.
Commencing at 8.45am
with Acts of Consecration,
to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and
the Immaculate Heart of Mary
with the Sacrament of Penance.
Please bring a SINGLE flower
for Our Holy Mother
"In the end my Immaculate Heart will triumph"
(Our Lady of Fatima 1917)



The Legion of Mary will lead the Luminous mysteries after 10am Mass on Sunday 8th September. Please join us as we need so many prayers at this worrying time of Pandemic. Also we thank you for all the rosaries offered up for our recent 24hr Rosary.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: The just will live in the presence 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**

Two calls for assistance this week,
one a regular struggler and
one with no previous history.

Our impending shortages are
Toilet Paper, Tinned Peas/Beans and Coffee (small).

Your donations save our spend on the groceries.
We'd love to see donations of these items in the
basket if you can keep them in mind while shopping.



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2021

Congratulations to our winner
No 23 John Jarrad

Drawn by Carolyn Ost

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

The Parishioner of Inspiration Awards

Do you know a faith filled person in our parish who
gives of himself or herself in outstanding service to
our parish and/or our community?

We are asking you to submit nominations for the
award to the Parish Pastoral Council by the end of
September.

**Nomination forms are available at the back of the
church or from the Parish Office**

St Joseph's Devotion



Wednesday 1st September
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)*

**DIVINE MERCY AT
HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**



The next Divine Mercy Devotion will be on
Sunday, 29th August at 3pm
at Holy Trinity Church,
171 Kesters Rd, Para Hills.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

**The next meeting of the Parish Finance Council
is on Monday, the 30th September at
St John XXIII Meeting Room at 7.30pm.**



Social Justice Sunday

This weekend we celebrate Social Justice Sunday.
The Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement,
Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor, invites us to join in
responding to Pope Francis' invitation to take a
seven-year journey towards total ecological
sustainability guided by seven Laudato Si' Goals.
The Statement provides theological foundations to
ground and inspire our efforts to care for creation while
responding to the needs of the
disadvantaged and excluded.

For more information and to download the Statement
visit: www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au

Prayer for Social Justice Sunday

Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor

Lord, when we listen with your ears we hear:
the bush grown more silent,
the birdsong less vibrant,
the stream's sluggish ripple.
Have mercy and open our ears.

Lord, when we look with your eyes we see:
the soil depleted, the sky smudged,
the oceans rubbished and the great currents slowed.
Have mercy and help us to see.

Lord, when we look with your eyes we see:
the workers who struggle to get by,
the women subjected to violence,
the people who are excluded.
Have mercy and help us to see.

Lord, when we listen with your ears we hear:
the sound of hungry children,
the distress of the mentally ill,
the silent pain of homeless women and men.
Have mercy and open our ears.

Send your Spirit upon us Lord to renew our sight,
to restore our hearing,
and to reclaim your reign of justice for all people
and peace for creation. AMEN

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.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! The Father gave us birth by his message of truth,
that we might be as the first fruits of his creation. Alleluia!**

PRAYER MEETINGS

Tue	31st Aug	Legion of Mary	12.30pm	Holy Trinity
Fri	3rd Sep	Two Hearts Prayer Group 8pm Rosary, 9pm and 3am Mass	8pm - 4am	Holy Trinity

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Mon	30th Aug	Bowls Group	1pm - 3.30pm	St John XXIII
Mon	30th Aug	Parish Finance Council	7.30pm	St John XXIII
Fri	3rd Sep	Craft Group	9.30am - 12.30am	St John XXIII

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Virtual Weekend

***Love one another as I have loved you
(John15:12).***

A weekend of discovery ... a lifetime of love
Worldwide Marriage Encounter invites couples,
priests, and religious for a virtual marriage
encounter weekend to enrich and revitalise
your sacrament of service.

It allows you to grow in your relationship
with your spouse or your community.

Details are as follows:

WHAT: Virtual weekend via Zoom

WHEN: September 10-12, 2021

TIME: Commencing at
7pm on Friday September 10
concluding 4pm Sunday September 12

Child Safe Environment Volunteer Briefing

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.

The next briefing in our area will be held on

Wednesday 22 September, 10.30am to 12.00pm
St Martin's Church Hall

113-117 Hampstead Road, Greenacres
Hosted by Greenacres-Walkerville Parish

Interested persons are asked to register by contacting
the Child Protection Unit on 8210 8159 or email
childprotection@adelaide.catholic.org.au



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

REACH OUT REMINDER

Dear Members and Friends of Reach Out,
Just friendly reminder to you all

Our Reach Out Birthday Lunch is on

TUESDAY, 7TH SEPTEMBER 2021

VENUE: MODBURY PLAZA HOTEL
[Corner, North East Road & Reservoir Road, Modbury]

TIME: 11.30 am.

COST: Pay as you go and remember to bring your
Seniors Card.

**For Lunch Bookings contact Maureen Kenny
Mobile 0418 821 859**

You do not have to be a member to join us
All Welcome

Maureen Kenny
Reach Out President

TREASURE MARKET

**Second Saturday of each month
8am to 12noon**

Next: 11th Sep 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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY AUGUST/SEPTEMBER BABIES

29th Aug	Ray Thalbourne
30th Aug	Lisa Javier
31st Aug	Annette Buxton
1st Sep	Terence Gallagher Weronika Zebol
2nd Sep	Ellen Giebel

