



# PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

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## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

171 KESTERS ROAD,  
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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

**GLEESON COLLEGE**  
(SECONDARY) 8282 6600  
40-60 SURREY FARM DRIVE,  
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5th September 2021  
23rd 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.**



*Saint Joseph, guardian of Jesus  
and chaste husband of Mary,  
you passed your life in loving fulfillment of duty.  
You supported the holy family of Nazareth  
with the work of your hands.*

*Kindly protect those who trustingly come to you.*

*You know their aspirations,  
their hardships, their hopes.*

*They look to you because they know  
you will understand and protect them.*

*You too knew trial,  
labour and weariness.*

*But amid the worries of material life,  
your soul was full of deep peace  
and sang out in true joy*

*through intimacy with God's Son entrusted  
to you and with Mary, his tender Mother.*

*Assure those you protect that they do not labour alone.*

*Teach them to find Jesus near them  
and to watch over Him faithfully as you have done.*

*Amen.*

*St John XXIII*

## **HAPPY FATHERS' DAY**

**OUR PARISH WEBSITE:** <http://paramodcath.com.au>  
**ARCHDIOCESE WEBSITE:** [www.adelaide.catholic.org.au](http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au)

## Ephphatha: Be Opened

Today's Scripture readings offer us an invitation to become humble instruments of healing in Jesus' hands by giving voice to the voiceless, the needy and the marginalized in our society. It also invites us to open our ears to hear the word of God and to allow the Holy Spirit to loosen our tongues to convey the Good News of God's love and salvation to others. The first reading (Is 35:4-7), reminds us that God's eyes are constantly focused on the helpless. God especially cares for "the frightened, the blind, the deaf, the lame, the mute," and He encourages the powerless to "be strong and fearless." This is why, in today's second reading (James 2:1-5), the apostle gives us some basic and challenging principles of social justice. He exhorts Christians to show no partiality based on external appearance and to practice God's 'preferential option for the poor'. He warns the faithful against scorning or shaming the poor while showing special consideration to the rich. Today's Gospel describes how Jesus, by healing a deaf and mute man, fulfills Isaiah's Messianic prophecy, "The eyes of the blind shall be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped." The ailments listed by Isaiah are symbolic of our interior illnesses: blindness to the needs of our neighbour, unwillingness to hear God's voice and the inability to speak words of praise and gratitude. Through this miracle story, Mark also reminds us that no one can be a follower of the Lord without reaching out to the helpless, showing a 'preferential option for the poor'.

The Jews are returning to their homeland after decades of exile in Babylon. Their arrival causes great friction with the other tribes already there, especially the Edomites. Hence, Isaiah reminds Israelites that when God leads his people home, He will work miracles on behalf of those who need it most: blind, deaf, lame and mute persons. He assures them that God blesses their return, and that they should be confident and not fearful. He opens his prophetic admonition with one of the most frequent Biblical commands, "Fear not." The prophet gives the Israelites the assurance that God will continue to save them from their enemies, will open their eyes to the reality of what He is providing for them and will open their ears to what He has to tell them through His priests and prophets.

In his very practical pastoral letter, St James, in the second reading points out to the members of the Church that they should treat others, whether they are rich or poor with equal honour and courtesy. James is not writing speculative theology, but reacting to real hurts inflicted on real people, and calling real Christians to a higher level of charity and responsibility. He exposes the sad irony of a Christian's giving special consideration to someone who is fashionably dressed and wearing gold rings, while shaming the poor man in his shabby dress. The poor man, James says, is poor in the eyes of the world but rich in faith because he recognizes his dependence on God for everything and acknowledges

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that dependence in how he lives and acts. James insists that Christians 'should show no partiality'. In a society like ours, which values people who have much money, great power or celebrity status, St James' admonition turns our cultural assumptions upside-down and inside-out.

What we see in the gospel is not simply the healing of a physical defect, but a concrete sign of the transforming power of God's Love. The power of God's Love is working in our lives to transform sorrow into joy, sickness into health, death into new life. The dumb man who is unable to communicate also symbolizes our own inability to communicate with God. In order to perceive and proclaim God's message, we need to be transformed. The miracle is not only about the physical healing of person who was deaf and dumb. It also points to the opening of a person's ears so that he may hear the word of God, and loosening of his tongue so that he may speak his profession of faith in Jesus. The miracle has great relevance to us, because a person can have perfect hearing, and yet not hear the word of God, have perfect speech, and yet be unable to make an act of faith.

This is the challenge for the Church in the modern world today if it is to be obedient to the command of Jesus to be open. All three readings speak of a God who is open and listening to the voiceless and the afflicted. Today, however, many of us have lost the ability to recognize the voice of God calling us for action in our modern society. We are asked to give hearing and voice to the deaf and the mute. The person healed became a witness to the power of God. A Church that is to bear witness to the example of Jesus' love must not neglect 'those who are bowed down'. Through its healing presence the Church must give voice to the voiceless.

*Janakumbudramalakal*

### Catholic Charities – 2021 Appeal (September is Catholic Charities Month)



*Making a difference to the lives of  
South Australians since 1941.*

Please support the Catholic Charities 2021 Appeal.

Pick up a brochure from the back of the church  
or make a donation online at

[www.adelaide.catholic.org.au](http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au)

or via Catholic Charities Appeal,

Reply Paid 912, Adelaide SA 5001.

Catholic Charities is featured on the Archdiocese's Find a Mass app. You are able to make a donation through the 'Giving' page on the app using a debit or credit card.

For more information visit Catholic Charities pages on <http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/charity-and-giving/catholic-charities/about-catholic-charities->

Donations of more than \$2 are tax deductible.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Praise the Lord, my soul!**

## 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

Three calls for home visits this week with two of them being new to the system. Usually there is a family connection that results in a suggestion to call Vinnies to help them out of a crisis.

Many thanks to all who were able to contribute to the Winter Appeal. Almost \$1500 was collected and we put that toward the purchase of Drake's Gift Cards which we add to the food hampers.

Our immediate needs in the pantry are  
Tinned Meat, Rice, and Coffee

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 expected assistance demand.



### DEVELOPMENT FUND 2021

Congratulations to our winner  
No 55 Ursula Moore  
Drawn by John Jarrad

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**



The Legion of Mary will lead the Luminous mysteries after 10am Mass on Sunday 5th 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.

The Legion of Mary of South Australia is holding a special celebration at The Cathedral for the Centenary of the Legion of Mary Saturday 11th of September at 5.15pm for Rosary and Mass.

Frank Duff started the Legion in Dublin, Ireland on the 7th September 1921. The Legion now has millions of members all over the world.

The Legion in Para Hills has been here 21 years and we invite parishioners, members, and Auxiliaries to join us in our Centenary celebrations.

A special write up will be in the September Southern Cross.

### Readings for next Sunday, 12th September 2021

1st Reading	Is	50:5 - 9
2nd Reading	Jas	2:14 - 18
Gospel	Mk	8:27 - 35

### Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

8th Sep	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9th Sep	St Peter Claver

### 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:**

Bruce Tilley, 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**

Fr John Neill OP OAM



### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Our first workshop for the 2021/2022 Sacramental Program will be on Saturday 11th of September 4pm at St John XXIII.

**(Please arrive by 3.45pm for a 4pm start)**

If you have children who would like to join the program who haven't already been enrolled, please contact Tash at the Parish office on Tuesday or Wednesday or via email at [pa@paramodcath.com.au](mailto:pa@paramodcath.com.au)

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!**

## PRAYER MEETINGS

<b>Tue</b>	<b>7th Sep</b>	Legion of Mary	12.30pm	<b>Holy Trinity</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>11th Sep</b>	Sacramental Program	4pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>12th Sep</b>	Legion of Mary (Curia)	2pm	<b>Holy Trinity</b>

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

<b>Mon</b>	<b>6th Sep</b>	Bowls Group	1pm - 3.30pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Thur</b>	<b>9th Sep</b>	St Vincent de Paul	4pm	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>10th Sep</b>	Craft Group	9.30am - 12.30am	<b>St John XXIII</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>11th Sep</b>	Treasure Market	8am - 12noon	<b>St John XXIII</b>

### **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

### **REACH OUT REMINDER**

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

**Our Reach Out Birthday Lunch is on  
NEXT TUESDAY, 7<sup>TH</sup> 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**

### **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 September 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)



We welcome to our community,  
those families who are preparing for their  
children's baptism during September.



Please show your support by making them  
feel welcome and remembering them in your prayers.

We also welcome with joy,  
**Dominic Kuys, Eloise Kay Flavel,  
Johan Andrade and Joshwa Nithin**  
who were baptised in August.