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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

171 KESTERS ROAD,
PARA HILLS 5096

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

THERESE MEYERS: 0421 533 761

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26th September 2021

26th 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.**

'Believing' and 'Belonging'

There are two words that have featured very strongly in the study of religion since the 1990's: 'Believing' and 'Belonging'. In 1994, a British sociologist of religion (Grace Davie) published a book on the rise of secularism in Britain since 1945. She called her book, *Believing without Belonging*. In the book, she suggests that most people who do not belong to institutional religions have some form of belief about God. It is only that they don't want to be part of a specific religion; either because they are tired of the atrocities committed in the name of religion or that they simply don't have the time for it. There have been other books and articles on the same theme using the words, 'Believing' and 'Belonging'. For instance, some Italian scholars have attempted to argue that a large number of Italian Catholics belong to the church without really believing in what the Church teaches. More recently, another British scholar (Abby Day) in her book, *Believing in Belonging*, suggests that actually people believe because they want to belong to a group that gives them identity.

This whole discussion invites us to ask ourselves, who are believers and belong to the Catholic Church, several questions: Why do we belong to this church? How do we look at someone who does not belong; someone who is not one of us? What if this someone-who-is-not-one-of-us believes, shows a greater commitment to Christian values, and even has some visible gifts of the Holy Spirit? Do we exaggerate our psycho-social need to belong by inventing an in-group/out-group rhetoric even in the name of religion and salvation? Do we want to capture the God of the Universe in our little enclosures (both physical and social) and not allow the Spirit to blow as He wills?

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The Liturgy of the Word on this 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time offers us two stories of the struggle between believing and belonging: one from the time of Moses and the other from the time of Jesus. The first story (Num 11:25-29) tells us of two men who had stayed back in the camp while the Lord God descended in the form of cloud on the Tent of Meeting: one was called Eldad and the other Medad. Even though they were not among the seventy elders initially chosen by Moses, the Spirit descended on these two men and they began to prophesy. Moses is magnanimous enough to discern the Will of God here, and add the two to the seventy to make the total number of elders to 72. Through this event Moses is able to recognise the universality of the action of the Spirit.

In a similar situation presented in the gospel story of today, when John says, "Master, we saw someone who is not one of us driving out devils in your name, and because he was not one of us, we tried to stop him", Jesus emphatically tells him, "You must not stop him; no one who works a miracle in my name could soon afterwards speak evil of me". Jesus reminds us that His Kingdom is not about territories, it is not about institutions, it is not even about the in-group (the church) and out-group (the unchurched), but it is about hearts of people. And God has the possibility to work within hearts of people, as He desires.

The Gospel invites us to respect the gifts and charisms of all those who work in Jesus' Name. Though we need not and cannot accept all the viewpoints of those who are opposed to us, Jesus teaches us to respect them and their viewpoints. All have a right to their own views and thoughts. How wrong we are in thinking that we alone are right, all others are wrong; we alone possess the truth, others do not; we alone possess a monopoly over salvation. This does not mean we accept anything and everything from anybody and agree with it. We too should have our own personal convictions. Tolerance involves a respect for various aspects and facets of the truth.

In conclusion to our reflection, we could ask ourselves a basic question: what is our attitude towards people who are outside the visible confines of the Church? These people could include those we so pejoratively refer to as "the pagans, the irreligious, the Protestants, and even the un-churched". Do we want to remind ourselves of what the Catholic Church itself has said in this regard? Here is a typical statement: "Since Christ died for all men, and since the ultimate vocation of man is in fact one, and divine, we ought to believe that the Holy Spirit in a manner known only to God offers to every man the possibility of being associated with this paschal mystery" (Gaudium et Spes, no.22). Who are we even daring to say who is saved and who is not saved? What we can meaningfully do is only to keep sharing our own experience of God with others, as we also take time to wonder how marvellously God works even in their lives. Yes, "God is not one to show partiality, but in every nation the one who fears him and does what is right, is welcome to him" (Acts 10: 34-35).

Janakumbudramalakal

Readings for next Sunday, 3rd October 2021

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| 1st Reading | Gen | 2:18 - 24 |
| 2nd Reading | Heb | 2:9 - 11 |
| Gospel | Mk | 10:2 - 16 |

Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

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| 27th Sep | St Vincent de Paul |
| 28th Sep | St Wenceslaus St Laurence Ruiz & Companions |
| 29th Sep | Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels |
| 30th Sep | St Jerome |
| 1st Oct | St Therese of the Child Jesus |
| 2nd Oct | The Holy Guardian Angels |

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

Quintina Perugini



FIRST SATURDAY MASS

2nd October 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)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.



St Vincent de Paul Modbury Conference

Calls to four families last week to assist with requests for food, and two with overdue electricity accounts – Government supplied Emergency Relief Funding will be applied for used to partly pay the bills.

Our immediate needs in the pantry are

**Two Minute Noodles, Pasta Sauce,
Tinned Fish and Tinned Carrots**

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.



The Parishioner of Inspiration Awards Nominations closing this week!

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?

If you haven't already done so please submit your nominations for the award to the Parish Pastoral Council by
30th September 2021

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

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



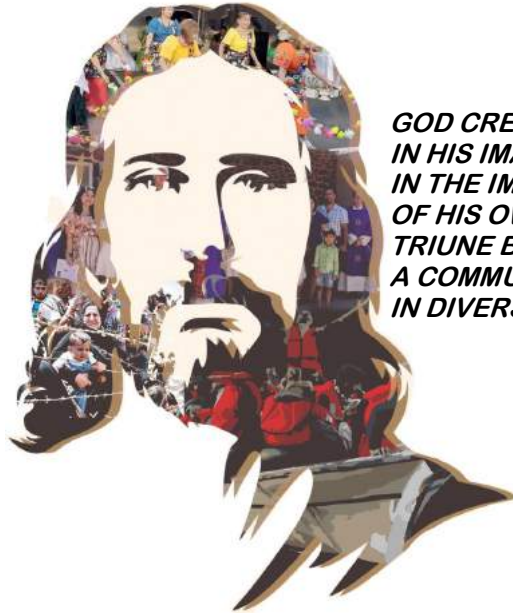
*Making a difference to the lives of
South Australians since 1941.*

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 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.

107th World Day of Migrants & Refugees TOWARDS AN EVER WIDER "WE"



*GOD CREATED US
IN HIS IMAGE,
IN THE IMAGE
OF HIS OWN
TRIUNE BEING,
A COMMUNION
IN DIVERSITY*

This weekend we celebrate the 107th World Day of Migrants and Refugees. We acknowledge the presence of many migrant and refugee families in our community. Our parish and wider community have been enriched from the cultures and traditions of those who have made Australia their home. Let us remember that although we have come from many different cultures we are all one as Australians.



DIVINE MERCY AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

The next Divine Mercy Devotion will be on Sunday, 26th September at 3pm at Holy Trinity Church, 171 Kesters Rd, Para Hills.



Liturgy Assistants Roster

The Liturgy Assistants Roster for October to December has been prepared and sent out via email.

If you require a printed copy you will find them at the back of the Church.

Please remember that if you are unable to fulfil your ministry you will need to arrange your own replacement.



PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Finance Council is on Monday, the 27th September at St John XXIII Meeting Room at 7.30pm.

PRAYER MEETINGS

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| Tue | 28th Sep | Legion of Mary | 12.30pm | Holy Trinity |
| Fri | 1st Oct | Two Hearts Prayer Group | 8pm - 4am | |
| | | 8pm Rosary, 9pm and 3am Mass | | Holy Trinity |

OTHER ACTIVITIES

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| Mon | 27th Sep | Bowls Group | 1pm - 3.30pm | St John XXIII |
| Mon | 27th Sep | Parish Finance Council | 7.30pm | St John XXIII |



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2021

Congratulations to our winner
No 71, Sheila Cooper
Drawn by Angela Zakarias

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

TREASURE MARKET

Second Saturday of each month
8am to 12noon

Next: 9th October 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

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Virtual Weekend

Love one another as I have loved you (John 15:12). 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 - -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wNcwgvkXQHo>

WHEN: October 22-24, 2021

TIME: Commencing at 7pm on Friday October 22 –
concluding 4pm Sunday October 24.

Contact: Julie & Zyg Staszyc: M: 0437 388 513

E: sabookings@wwme.org.au.

For testimonies and updates visit us on:

<https://www.wwme.org.au>

Planned Giving Envelopes

Our next round of planned giving envelopes
are being prepared soon.

If you are considering joining the
Planned Giving Program or changing your method
of contributing from envelopes to an electronic form
please contact Pauline at the Parish Office
Thursday - Friday on 8264 7590 or
email finance@paramodcath.com.au
as soon as possible.

Living Waters Prayer Group

A Life in the Spirit Seminar will be held at
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church

420 Seaview Road Henley Beach

Thursday nights

30th September- 25th November
at 7pm- 8.30pm.

All welcome

for more information please phone

Pauline Cotton on 0403 002 240



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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER BABIES

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| 26th Sep | Marg Robinson |
| 27th Sep | Michael Burke Andrea Randell |
| 28th Sep | Cathy Hargreaves Helen Zmarek Christopher Wilks Rita Robinson Maud Brown |
| 29th Sep 1st Oct | Chris O'Reilly Greg Potticary Scott Palmer Peter Van Der Arend |
| 2nd Oct | Annie Gavini Peter Button |

