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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

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THERESE MEYERS: 0421 533 761
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30th January 2022
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C - 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 covering both the mouth and nose
are required to be worn at all Masses.**

The Prophetic Call and the Fear of Rejection

The liturgy of the word today speaks to us that we should have and show the courage of our Christian convictions in our day-to-day lives in our communities, when we face hatred and rejection because of our Christian Faith. In both the first reading and the Gospel, Jeremiah and Jesus are presented as prophets, chosen, consecrated and sent to their brothers and sisters as emissaries of the Word of God. The first reading tells us how God called Jeremiah as His prophet and equipped him to face opposition and rejection. In his prophetic vocation, which he lived out while encountering rejection and persecution, Jeremiah anticipated Jesus, the greatest of all prophets. Today's Gospel is a continuation of last Sunday's Gospel, presenting his own people's reaction to Jesus' "Inaugural Address." The reading shows us how Jesus faced scepticism and criticism with prophetic courage.

Scripture tells us that Israel had a long history of rejecting prophets (2 Chr 36:16; Jer 2:30; Amos 2:12; Matt 23: 37; Luke 13: 34; I Thes 2:15; Heb 11: 32). Jeremiah was threatened with death several times, thrown into an empty and muddy cistern, imprisoned, dragged off to exile in Egypt, and, perhaps, most painful of all, was forced to watch the destruction of Jerusalem because its inhabitants would not listen to his message. At least twice in his lifetime, the prophet Elijah spoke the truth of God to King Ahab of Israel concerning the King's promotion of idolatry. As a result, Elijah was forced to flee into the wilderness

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where he suffered great privation (I Kgs 16-29-17: 3 and I Kgs 18: 16-19: 4). Today's Gospel story is another example of why the prophets did not jump for joy at their career prospects. In the space of five verses, we see the people of Nazareth turn from amazement to such fury at Jesus' words they seized Him and dragged him off to the cliff to murder him. Speaking God's truth by word or by deed is a risky business even today. Hundreds of missionaries have been martyred in the modern world. Thousands of Christians have been killed in the recent past in Islamic and Communist countries. Christians are subjected to the white martyrdom of mental torture in advanced countries by the agnostic and atheistic media and liberal politicians and judges, as forms of the media constantly ridicule and insult Christians with unprecedented vengeance.

The first reaction of the people in the synagogue to Jesus' words was one of astonishment. Luke says they were "amazed at the gracious words that came from his lips", because they knew him only as a carpenter from a poor family, with no formal training in Mosaic Law. But their amazement turned into displeasure when, during his "Inaugural Address" or "Mission Statement," Jesus took upon himself the identity of a prophet, different from the image of the miracle-worker that people wished to see. Like the other prophets of the past, Jesus called upon people to relinquish their selfishness, faithlessness, their lack of justice and mercy (Mic 6:6-8), and their sinfulness. Hence, their displeasure turned into anger when Jesus claimed that he was the promised Messiah of Isaiah's prophecy. They could not understand how a mere carpenter could be the Messiah who would liberate them from Roman rule. Jesus explained their attitude by saying "No prophet is accepted in his native place." In response to his townsmen's scepticism, Jesus referred to the Biblical stories of how God blessed two Gentiles, while rejecting the many Jews in similar situations. The reason for this was that these Gentiles were more open to the prophets than the Jewish people. First, Jesus reminded them of the Gentile widow of Zarephath, at the time of the Prophet Elijah and then the healing of Naaman at the time of the Prophet Elisha.

The gospel today invites us to be prepared to face rejection with prophetic courage and optimism. Perhaps we have experienced the pain of rejection, betrayal, abandonment, violated trust, neglect or abuse. Perhaps we ourselves are guilty of such rejection. Let us not, like the people in Jesus' hometown, reject God in our lives. The story of Jesus' rejection by his townfolk is also a story about how we often ignore and reject God. God calls us in many ways. Are we willing to listen to this calling and discover our role in carrying out God's purpose?

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Readings for next Sunday, 6th February 2022

1st Reading	Is	6:1 - 8
2nd Reading	I Cor	15:1 - 11
Gospel	Lk	5:1 - 11

Saints/Feast Days Of the Week

31st Jan	St John Bosco
2nd Feb	The Presentation of the Lord
3rd Feb	St Blaise
	St Ansgar
5th Feb	St Agatha

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:**

Kim Pope, Anne Hughes, David Truman, Bruce Tilley, Allan Searle, Anne Valentine, Ken Randell, Mary Rose Probst, Molly Holmes, Maria Trotta, 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, 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

By our Baptism, God calls us to be prophets like Jesus, sharing his prophetic mission. The task of a prophet is to speak and to live out God's truth. We must never be afraid of this call to oppose the many evils in our society. Are we willing to stand up and speak out like Spirit-filled Christians with the prophetic courage of their convictions? Finally, we need to follow Christ, not political correctness, and to speak the truth of Christ without being hypocritical or disrespectful. We must never remain silent in the face of evil for fear of being thought "politically incorrect." Jesus was not against conflict if it promoted truth. He taught us to give respect and freedom without condoning or encouraging sinful behaviour.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM: I will sing of your salvation.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

HQ: 1300 729 202 from 9.00am — 1.00pm
or www.vinnies.org.au



**St Vincent de Paul
Modbury Conference**

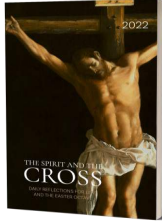
Calls for home visits are being taken again (1300 729 202) after Australia Day, and we usually have a bit of a rush.

We have emphasised that there are COVID precautions that minimise our contact risk.

We're starting with pretty good stocks in the pantry, and we've picked up some stocks from the donated food at the Warehouse, but we'll still be needing Tinned Spaghetti, Peanut Butter and Tinned Carrots/Taters.

Mindful that the purpose of the food assistance is to bridge the financial emergency gap to the next income payment, there is no need to go to large container sizes when shopping any food donations.

It will greatly help if any or all of the items could be placed in the Vinnies' collection basket.



We will be placing an order for "The Spirit & The Cross" reflection book for Lent and Easter 2022.

Books will cost between \$5 - \$6 each depending on postage costs and will be available to collect from the Parish office in late February.

If you would like to purchase a copy please contact the Parish office to place your order before

Friday 4th February 2022

PARISH RAFFLE AND PRODUCE STALL

ADVANCE NOTICE

Raffle tickets will be sold after each Mass at both Mass Centres over the weekends of

Feb 5/6, 12/13 and 19/20

for \$1.00 per ticket.

On the middle weekend, Feb 12/13, it is planned for a produce stall as well.

If any parishioner has any excess produce that could be donated please bring to whichever Mass centre prior to the Mass you may be attending.

Any queries to Marg Whennan 82511577 please. Thanking you in advance.

HOLY TRINITY SENIORS SOCIAL CLUB

Welcome back.

Our first meeting this year will be held on

Wednesday February 2nd.
In the Holy Trinity Hall.

We are a group of Seniors who enjoy conversations, a card game or two or a game of pool.

You are welcome to join like minded people .
Doors open at 1pm.

Remember to follow COVID directions

For more information contact

Lorraine Thalbourne on 82637333

Holy Trinity Hall

In an effort to tidy up the Hall at Holy Trinity and make it more presentable for groups who hire the hall, we are going to demolish the large sliding door cupboard on the western wall.

If you or your group have any items stored in that cupboard please remove them by

Sunday 6th February.

Parish Pastoral Council

FIRST SATURDAY MASS



5th February 2022 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)

Start Dates For Parish Groups

Due to the current situation with COVID some of our groups have delayed their restart dates for the year.

**Bowls Group at St John XXIII will return on
Monday 7th February**

**Modbury Community and Craft Group
at St John XXIII will not return until at least
Friday 18th February**

If you attend any of the Parish groups please keep in contact with your groups organisers to keep yourselves updated about any changes.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners. Alleluia!

PRAYER MEETINGS

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

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Wed	2nd Feb	Seniors Social Group	1pm	Holy Trinity
Wed	2nd Feb	Liturgy Committee	7pm	Private Residence



DEVELOPMENT FUND 2022

Congratulations to our winner

No 12, Alex Balayance
Drawn by Miriam Morrison

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

SHORT COURSES OFFERED THROUGH DAYTON UNIVERSITY

The Archdiocese of Adelaide has a partnership with Dayton University in their Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF)

[VLCFF @ UD > Home \(udayton.edu\)](http://vlcff@ud.edu)

in Ohio, with some students in the

Ministry Formation Program undertaking some of their study through this university.

Several five week courses are currently being offered and because of the partnership the diocese has with Dayton, each course costs about \$AU70.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A STUDENT OF THE MINISTRY FORMATION PROGRAM TO UNDERTAKE THESE COURSES.

There are seven cycles of five week and three week courses offered each year. Any questions contact Annette Heinemann at ahinemann@adelaide.catholic.org.au.

Reach Out Morning Tea Cancelled

Due to unforeseen circumstances the Reach Out morning tea at the Salvation Army OASIS CAFÉ scheduled for Tuesday 1st February has been cancelled.

Maureen will provide more details after the 9.15am Mass on Tuesday.

Maureen Kenny
President
Mobile 0418 821 859

TREASURE MARKET

Second Saturday of each month
8am to 12noon

Next: 12th February 2022

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

Collecting for Charities and Others

We are collecting the following items for charities and others



Ring Pulls

drink cans only **NOT** food cans
these go towards the making of titanium joints for landmine victims in Thailand.

Stamps

Childhood Cancer.



Tea Bag Strings & Tags

The strings are used for knitting, no charity involved.
The tags are reused in paper making.

Bread Tags

These are melted down, made into bowls and proceeds go to wheel chair charities.



DIVINE MERCY AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

The next Divine Mercy Devotion will be on Sunday, 30th January at 3pm at Holy Trinity Church, 171 Kesters Rd, Para Hills.

LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Liturgy Committee Meeting
Wednesday 2nd February at 7pm
Contact Therese Meyers on 0421 533 761

HAPPY BIRTHDAY JANUARY/FEBRUARY BABIES

30th Jan	Kieran Bock
31st Jan	Kerry MacGrath
2nd Feb	Lee Forrestall Paula Palmer
3rd Feb	Tyson Chester
4th Feb	Alex Mills

