

Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

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A living, vibrant faith community

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PARISH NEWSI ETTER

Please forward items for the newsletter to the Parish Office - ph 8552 1084 or catholicvhg@bigpond.com)
(All items for the newsletter must be received no later than Wednesday evening)

• PARISH TREASURER

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MASS CENTRES AND TIMES

• ST JOAN OF ARC

30 Seaview Road, Victor Harbor

MASS TIMES

Saturday 6.00pm Sunday 11.00am RECONCILIATION Saturday 11.00am - 11.30am Saturday 5.30pm - 5.50pm

• ST JOHN THE APOSTLE

10-14 Gardiner Street, Goolwa

MASS TIMES Sunday 9.00am RECONCILIATION Sunday 8.30am - 8.50am

CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159 Cathy May (Goolwa - 0401 584 237) Parish Office (Victor Harbor 8552 1084)

FIRST READING

Wisdom 11:22-12:2

In your sight, Lord, the whole world is like a grain of dust that tips the scales, like a drop of morning dew falling on the ground.

Yet you are merciful to all, because you can do all things and overlook men's sins so that they can repent.

Yes, you love all that exists, you hold nothing of what you have made in abhorrence, for had you hated anything, you would not have formed it.

And how, had you not willed it, could a thing persist, how be conserved if not called forth by you? You spare all things because all things are yours, Lord, lover of life, you whose imperishable spirit is in all.

Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend, you admonish and remind them of how they have sinned, so that they may abstain from evil and trust in you, Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14

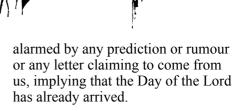
I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

SECOND READING

2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his call, and by his power fulfil all your desires for goodness and complete all that you have been doing through faith; because in this way the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him, by the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

To turn now, brothers, to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and how we shall all be gathered round him: please do not get excited too soon or



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 3:16

Alleluia, alleluia! God loved the world so much, he gave his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 19:1-10

Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the town when a man whose name was Zacchaeus made his appearance: he was one of the senior tax collectors and a wealthy man. He was anxious to see what kind of man Jesus was, but he was too short and could not see him for the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to catch a glimpse of Jesus who was to pass that way. When Jesus reached the spot he looked up and spoke to him: 'Zacchaeus, come down.

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SPECIAL INTENTIONS (These names will be removed after one month. To keep names on this list please contact Parish Office)

Barbara Bond, John Wallace,
Father John Langtry, Michelle L
Adrian and Margaret Langtry,
Brian Smallacombe,
Bailey Smallacombe, Margie Lloyd,
Russell Crichton, Bill Longworth,
Daniel Holliday, Mark & Lola Kelly,
Angelo Falco, Mary Davis,
Claire Hamish, Joan Pillion,
Angelo Fantasia, Dr. Will Tucker,
Joseph Barry Kearsley

RECENTLY DECEASED

Athalea Stewart, Pam Brown, Dot O'Malley

PARISH COLLECTION 26th & 27th October

1st (Presbytery) 2nd (Parish) \$889.95 \$1,253.95

World Mission

\$625.65

VICTOR MORNING TEA 3rd & 10th November

J. Andrews & J. Whitbread 17th & 24th November M. Cunningham & A. Wright

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER
2nd & 9th November

16th & 23rd November P. Mezzino, E. O'Shaughnessy

VICTOR MEET & GREET November Saturdays M. Farmer & D. McLaughlin

November Sundays R. Reid, H. Sampson

R. Munro & T. Clayton

ST JOAN'S CHOIR:

Practice time is 10.30am each Friday

GOOLWA MORNING TEA

November M. Burford, A. Fawkner, S. Butler, K. O'Shea **GOOLWA MEET & GREET**

November

C. & J. Slagter

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2019 PRAYER INTENTIONS: NOVEMBER

Universal: Dialogue and Reconciliation in the Near East

That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where

diverse religious communities share their lives together.

EXPLORING THE GOSPEL WITH LECTIO DIVINA Is held each Sunday night at 6pm in the Annex.

CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

We meet for Lectio Divina (Scripture Reflection) and meditation on Monday afternoons at 4.30 for 2019. Please contact Anne Weygood for details. 0429 653 844.

PASTORAL CARE GROUP will hold their next meeting on Saturday 9th November at 4.30pm in the Annex.

ST JOAN'S MAINTENANCE GROUP



The next meeting will be on Wednesday 13th November at 9.30-10.30am followed by morning tea. All men welcome.

KSC NEWS

All welcome.

Our **next fund raiser** will be the Christmas wine raffle for 1 dozen Red Wine.
Tickets will be at both Mass centres. **ST JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB** will hold their next meeting on Tuesday 12th November at 1.30pm in the annex. All welcome **ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY** will hold their next meeting at Goolwa on Wednesday

CENTENARY CALENDARS ON SALE AVAILABLE AFTER ALL MASSES. Buy yours today. \$10.00 each!! COLUMBAN CALENDARS 2019

13th November after 9.30am Mass.

The Calendars will be on sale in the church porches after Mass. *Cost \$10.00 each* **SVdP CHRISTMAS HAMPERS** Donations of non-perishable food may be placed in the boxes provided in the annex and porches at both churches. Thank you.

BAPTISM Welcome to Ivy Anne Brayford into our "big parish family" as she is baptised at 11am Sunday Mass at Victor Harbor. We pray that her parents, Simon and Jacqueline continue to bring up Ivy as a good daughter of God in our parish family.

GOOLWA INTERCHURCH REPORT meeting held 24th October. The first Messy Church service will be held on 24th Nov. at St. Johns with permission from Fr. Vinh. The welcome will commence at 3pm, and service to begin at 3.30 pm. There has been a leadership group formed with a lot of enthusiasm, and it is hoped some members of our Parish will come and check out this more laid back form of worship.

The group is now busy organising a float for the Goolwa Christmas pageant on 15th Dec.

A combined Church prayer service for Christmas will be held on 17th Nov. at Christian Fellowship in Loveday St. from 5 pm.

At the open day mid-day luncheon on Wed. at Uniting Church for those who are homeless or struggling there will be a visit from a podiatrist and hairdresser offering their services for free to assist those in attendance at the luncheon.

Also at another Sunday service former footballer Robbie Muir spoke of his finding Christianity in his life. In an amusing part of his talk he spoke of the great anger he formerly had in his life, and at one stage there were 10 people he wanted to kill. But since finding God the number is down to 5!

School chaplaincy. There is still no news on Federal Government funding for the local schools programme, but is expected to be announced shortly.

A reminder of the Messy Church service will be held in later addition of Encounter. A flyer is on the Goolwa church notice board.

Another InterChurch meeting will be held on 28th Nov. to make certain pageant arrangements are in place.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL OCTOBER MEETING POINTS

Centenary celebrations: All parishioners are invited to a luncheon in the Annex following

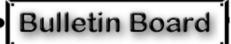


the Centenary Mass on 15th March, 2020 and to a second parish celebration on Sunday 31st May, the day after St Joan of Arc's feast day.

Windows: Our Rose window is well under construction but those on either side of St Joan have still to be cleared by Council.

History booklet: To be finalised soon. **St Joan's foyer update:** To make it more flexible and interesting.

Athalea Stewart Commemorative plaque: To be put on the wall near the St John's organ. The minutes of our September meeting are now on the notice boards. Your PPC





RESPONSORIAL PSALM 31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

I will praise Your name for ever, my King and my God.

I will give You glory, O God my King, I will bless Your name for ever. I will bless You day after day and praise Your name forever.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all His creatures.

All your creatures shall thank You, O Lord,

and your friends shall repeat their blessing.

They shall speak of the glory of Your reign

and declare Your might, O Lord.

The Lord is faithful in all His words and loving in all His deeds.
The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down.



ST. CHARLES BORROMEO Feast Day 4th November (1538-1584)



St Charles was a member of a noble family and a nephew of Pope Pius IV. He was made a Cardinal at the age of 23 and assisted the Pope in

administering the affairs of the Holy See and in governing the Church. Soon thereafter he was made Archbishop of Milan. His endeavors on behalf of the 19th Ecumenical Council of Trent (1545-1564) were especially meritorious and fruitful. He helped to direct and guide it and bring it to a successful conclusion. He then proceeded to enforce its decrees in the Archdiocese of Milan and thoroughly reformed Catholic life in his See. During a plague he walked barefooted in the public streets, carrying a cross, with a rope around his neck, offering himself as a victim to God for the transgressions of his people.

We pray for Bishop Charles Gauci whose feast day is this day.

NATIONAL PRAYER CAMPAIGN FOR DROUGHT



The Catholic Church in Australia is dedicating the month of November 2019 as a time to pray for those affected by crippling drought conditions and to pray for the gift of rain.

God our Father, You created our earth to nourish us and give us life

And Jesus told us to ask and it will be given.
We ask now in Faith, Hope and Love that you look
with favour on our drought stricken land,
our starving animals and failing produce.
Sustain, strengthen and give new heart to our
farmers and all those affected by this drought
In your loving providence send
abundant rain soon

And renew the faith of your people and the face of our land.

We make this prayer with many, through
Jesus Christ who gives new life to all living things.
Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Pray for us
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop - Pray for us
There are many ways to donate to drought
relief. One is through the NSW drought appeal online at Vinnnies.org.au

NOVEMBER, MONTH OF

THE HOLY SOULS

Grant, O Lord, that my own heart may be touched, as Yours is, at the passing of all souls into eternal life.



In great confidence, I pray for all my friends and loved ones who are no longer here on this journey of faith.

When I am sad at the death of those who were close to me, may my sadness be firmly supported by my faith that life is merely changed not ended, that those I love are still with me though unseen.

May You, Lord Jesus Christ, welcome me and all those for whom I pray, into eternal life at the moment pleasing to You.

THANK YOU

Thank you from the family of Athalea Stewart to Fr Vinh and everyone who helped and contributed to the celebration of her life. Next Week: 2nd & 3rd November

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 M. FarmerR.2 L. Blacket

E.M. P. Harris, C. Sutherland

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am Commentator: F. Hanna

R.1. A. WillissR.2 A. Rose

E.M M. Von Holst, P. O'Brien, R. Reid, M. Cunningham, P. Clingan

GOOLWA Sunday 9am
Commentator: M. Freeborn

R1 P. BurnsR2 J. Ryan

E.M. C. Williams, J. McInnes, C. May, A. Turner, M. O'Halloran.



Next Week: 9th & 10th November

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 C. SutherlandR.2 B. Bullen

E.M. E. O'Connell, E. O'Shaughnessy

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am
Commentator: R. Klecko

R.1. P. ChigwiddenR.2 V. Coffey

E.M P. Clingan, P. O'Brien, M. Ferguson, A. Rose, M. Taylor

GOOLWA Sunday 9am
Commentator: Marie Riddle

R1 D. West **R2** R. Lee

AZ N. Lee

E.M. M. Glazewski, J. McMahon, S. Muller, D. Huppatz, K. O'Shea

REGULAR MASS TIMES IN OUR CLUSTER CHURCHES ALDINGA

Mary of Galilee, the First Disciple cnr Quinliven and How Roads Saturday 5.30pm Tuesday 9.15am

GOOLWA

St John the Apostle, 10-14 Gardiner St Sunday 9.00am Wednesday 9.30am

KINGSCOTE

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, cnr Todd and Giles Streets Sunday 9.30am

NOARLUNGA

St Luke, the Evangelist,
cnr Honeypot Rd and Goldsmith Dve
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am
1st Sunday 11am (Spanish Mass)
2nd Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass)
Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm
Monday 9.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Wednesday 7.30pm
Thursday 8.15am (St Luke's)
Thursday 9.15am (St John's - term time)
Friday 10.00am

NORMANVILLE

St Peter, Cape Jervis Road 1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 10.30am 2nd, 4th Sundays 8.30am 1st Friday 6.00pm

PARNDANA

2nd Sunday 2.30pm

PENNESHAW

St Columba, North Terrace (shared with Anglicans) 1st Sunday 2.00pm

SEAFORD

Seaford Ecumenical Mission, Grand Bvd Sunday 10.45am Wednesday 9.15am

VICTOR HARBOR

St Joan of Arc, 30 Seaview Road
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 11.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am
Friday 9.00am
1st Friday Benediction following Mass

WILLUNGA

St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street 1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 8.30am 2nd, 4th Sundays 10.30am Wednesday 9.00am Thursday 9.00am Friday 9.00am (Continued from page 1)

Hurry, because I must stay at your house today.' And he hurried down and welcomed him joyfully. They all complained when they saw what was happening. 'He has gone to stay at a sinner's house' they said. But Zacchaeus stood his ground and said to the Lord, 'Look, sir, I am going to give half my property to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody I will pay him back four times the amount.' And Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man too is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost'



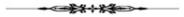
EXPLORING THE WORD

This text should be contrasted with the story of the rich official who is a righteous man that comes just before it (Luke 18:18-23), but that is not included in the Lectionary readings for this year. In that text, Jesus challenges the rich man to sell all he has and to distribute the proceeds to the poor, but the rich man is unable to give up his wealth. Here, Zacchaeus, also a rich man but considered a sinner, spontaneously offers to give half his wealth away and to make generous restitution to those he has cheated. The response to Jesus of these two characters is in stark contrast. In his undignified climbing of the tree, Zacchaeus is prepared to make himself look ridiculous in order to know Jesus. He has humbled himself in the eyes of the crowd just as the tax collector humbled himself in the temple in last week's Gospel. Jesus not only tells parables but lives them in reality. He has searched out the lost, and the encounter leads to conversion and salvation.

DID YOU KNOW?

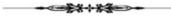
- The name Zacchaeus means 'pure' but the actions of this wealthy tax collector belied such a name and earnt him the title of 'sinner'.
- · Jesus addresses Zacchaeus as 'son

- of Abraham', a title usually reserved for the holy or pious ones. Jesus is clearly indicating that Zacchaeus is as good as anyone else.
- Jericho lies in the Jordan Valley, just 6 miles north of the Dead Sea, and so has a milder climate than the surrounding barren hills. Herod built a lavish winter palace here
- The journey of Jesus to Jerusalem is almost complete. Jericho is the last town to be passed through before the steep ascent to Jerusalem.



SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

Zacchaeus' encounter with Jesus led him to reassess the way he lived in the world and the way he related to those around him. He repented his past wrongs, made restitution and entered into a new way of being. This same journey is the one to which baptism into the church calls all believers.



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(04 - 12 November)

- *Monday, 04:* Weekday, Ord Time 31 (Rom 11:29-36; Lk 14:12-14)
- *Tuesday, 05:* Weekday, Ord Time 31 (Rom 12:5-16; Lk 14:15-24)
- *Wednesday, 06:* Weekday, Ord Time 31 (Rom 13:8-10; Lk 14:25-33)
- *Thursday, 07:* The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Ezek 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Jn 2:13-22)
- *Friday, 08:* St Leo the Great (Rom 15:14-21; Lk 16:-8)
- *Saturday, 09:* St Martin of Tours (Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Lk 16:9-15)
- *Sunday 10:* 32nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Wis 6:12-16; 1 Thess 4:13-18; Mt 25:1-13)

PASTORAL CARE

If you (or someone you know) is house-bound, in hospital or in residential care and would appreciate a visit from a Priest or someone from the Parish, please let us know. Contact: Noarlunga/Seaford (8382 1717), Willunga (0488 287 552), Victor Harbor/Goolwa (8552 1084), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).