

Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

YEAR A
28TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

*A living, vibrant
faith community*

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VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT

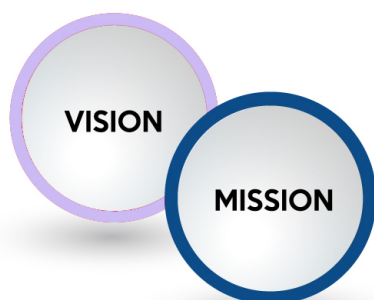
Our vision is to build a faith community, centred on the loving relationship of Father, Son and Holy Spirit, expressed in personal lives and in communal Parish activities.

IT IS OUR MISSION TO:

- Endeavour to develop relevant and prayerful Eucharistic celebrations.
- Foster the experience of a personal relationship with God.
- Provide faith formation opportunities for parishioners.
- Care for each other and the environment, particularly the sick, lonely, aged and disabled within our Parish.
- Care for our environment towards a sustainable future.

WE WILL:

- Reach out to those in need in the local community.
- Be committed to Catholic Social Justice principles.
- Pray and work together with Christian Churches and all people of goodwill.
- Protect and engage with young people in our local area.
- Strengthen bonds with indigenous people in our region.



FIRST READING

Isaiah 25:6-10

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all people a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines.

On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever.

The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so.

That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.

We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 22

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

SECOND READING

Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am

ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Eph 1:17,18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1-14

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been

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Bulletin Board

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

Barbara Bond, John Wallace,
Margaret Langtry,
Brian Smallacombe,
Bailey Smallacombe,
Russell Crichton, Bill Longworth,
Daniel Holliday, Mark & Lola Kelly,
Claire Hamish, Joan Pillion,
Angelo Fantasia, Jane Lloyd,
West Family, Kathleen Tiltman,
Joseph Barry Kearsley,
Lyn McCabe, Emily McCarthy,
Josephine Proctor,
Chloe Randabel, Charlie Nicolson,
Miriam Kaye, Bill Sloan, Ella Sajj,
Brenna Schneideman.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Robert Gunson

ANNIVERSARIES

Margaret Hope

PARISH COLLECTION 3rd & 4th October

1st (Presbytery)	\$743.00
2nd (Parish)	\$1,171.70
Peter's Pence	\$520.45

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER 17th & 24th October

G. Woodhead & H. Sampson

MORNING TEA

17th & 24th October

M. Cunningham & A. Wright

VICTOR MEET & GREET October Saturdays

M. Farmer & D. McLaughlin

October Sundays

W. Baker. & J. Schultz

ST JOAN'S CHOIR:

Practice time is 10.30am each Friday

GOOLWA MEET & GREET October

P. Kennelly & B Longworth

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice time 2.00pm Wednesday.

Call Claire Williams 0429 008 199.

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2020 PRAYER INTENTIONS: OCTOBER

The Laity's Mission in the Church

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.



MORNING TEA AFTER 11AM MASS

Please bring your own cup as per Covid rules.

EXPLORING THE GOSPEL WITH

LECTIO DIVINA is held each Sunday night at 5pm in the Annex.

CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

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

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY

Groups meet fortnightly on Mondays 2.00-4.00pm. Phone Rob & Jocelyne Randabel Williamson 0402 341 071

ST JOAN'S MAINTENANCE GROUP

The next meeting is on

Wednesday 14th October.

Morning tea to follow.

New members welcome.

Peter Sampson 8552 3989.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING

Our next meeting is **October 14th** at Goolwa after the 9.am Mass.

ST JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB

will hold their next meeting on **Tuesday 13th October** at 1.30pm in the Annex. All welcome.

GOOLWA SOCIAL AND PASTORAL CARE GROUP

Our next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 20th October** at 1.30 pm at the Church, a week later than usual. Since our last meeting when we only had four attending, some have expressed interest in giving support and we hope numbers will be much better at this meeting. We meet on a bi-monthly basis, and meetings usually last about an hour. If you feel you would like to get involved we would love to see you come along.

KSC REPORT

Our first monthly BBQ was held on Sunday October 4 and was a great success. Many thanks to chefs Tony, Robert and Mike and to all who supported the event. These BBQs will continue on the first Sunday of the month until December, and then weekly in the holiday time of January.



Our *Loaves and Fishes'* night will be held in November at Goolwa. In previous years this night was organised by the late Ian Reid at McCracken Views but after talking with Robin Reid it was agreed to have it this year at Goolwa. It is a night for members and their spouses, as well as widows of members and special guests. Yes Fr. Vinh you will be included!

Prayer for the sick. We always pray for those in our parish with health struggles and we think of all today in this situation.

Next meeting of the Knights on Wednesday October 21 at 4 pm.

After our recent AGM, Paul Kennelly continues as Chairperson, Mike O'Halloran as Secretary and Peter Sullivan as Treasurer. Robert Lee is now Vice Chairperson.

CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL MONTH

Arrupe Welcome Centre

When the Outreach Program was first being implemented, the team realised that children were the most vulnerable group of people the project helped. And so, in 2001, the Apostolic Prefecture of Battambang founded the Arrupe Centre to help children with disabilities access education, healthcare, and employment opportunities. **Can you help?** There are envelopes available in the Church or you can donate online: catholicmission.org.au/Cambodia

10TH ANNIVERSARY OF MARY MACKILLOP'S CANONISATION

October 17th marks the 10-year anniversary of the canonisation of Saint Mary of the Cross, Australia's first Saint. Mary MacKillop was an ordinary woman with an extraordinary dream and a big heart.

Today, 10 years on from the recognition of Mary MacKillop's holy work, we continue to find hope in her values, character, and actions as a remarkably strong female leader.

<https://www.marymackilloptoday.org.au/celebrating-10-years/>

BIRTHDAYS

Marilyn (Filipino Choir) - 6th October

Leonie McCallum - 13th October.

Best wishes to you both!



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr. A

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where He gives me repose.
Near restful waters He leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.

He guides me along the right path;
He is true to His name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with Your crook and Your
staff;
with these You give me comfort.

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head You have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing.



SAINT MARGARET MARY ALACOQUE

Feast Day 16th October (1647 – 1690)

Margaret Mary was chosen by Christ to arouse the Church to a realization of the love of God symbolized by the heart of Jesus. Her early years were marked by sickness and a painful home situation. Margaret



Mary entered the Order of the Visitation nuns at the age of 24. At 27 she received the first of her revelations. She felt "invested" with the presence of God. Christ's request was that His love for humankind be made evident through her. But Margaret Mary had to pay for her gift of holiness. Some of her own sisters were hostile. Theologians who were called in declared her visions delusions and suggested that she eat more heartily. After serving as novice mistress and assistant superior, Margaret Mary died at the age of 43, while being anointed. She said: "I need nothing but God, and to lose myself in the heart of Jesus." *Catholic Culture & Franciscan Media*

NATIONAL CARERS' WEEK

October 11th – 17th

National Carers' Week is about recognising and celebrating the outstanding contribution unpaid carers make to our nation. There are over 2.7 million family and friend carers in Australia providing 36 million hours of care and support every week to a family member or friend who has a disability, mental illness, drug and/or alcohol dependency, chronic condition, terminal illness or who is frail. The replacement value of that unpaid care is \$1.1 billion per week. National Carers Week is an opportunity to educate and raise awareness among all Australians about the diversity of carers and their caring roles.

We pray for those members of our parish who are carers.

PRAYER FOR CARERS

**In your devoted but
demanding ministry,
may you receive God's blessing
and be a blessing in return
to the one you care for.**

**When exhaustion overwhelms you,
may God renew your vigour.**

**When patience is tested,
may He grant fortitude.**

**When all seems bleak,
may He shed light.**

When tears flow, may He bring comfort.

**May you and your loved one
know His peace, receive His strength and
experience His love
surrounding and supporting you always
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Amen

COVID-RECORDERS

Many thanks to those who have volunteered to be Covid-Recorders making sure that names of people attending Mass are accurate. We may not have the virus in our neighbourhood at the moment but we know how important the accuracy of these lists can be. We are going to list Victor Covid-Recorders (C.R) with Commentators, Readers etc. Goolwa is continuing its present process of recording.



This Week : 10th & 11th October

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 J. Randabel-Williamson

R.2 B. Bullen

E.M. E. O'Connell

C.R. M. Tuckey

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator: R. Klecko

R1. P. Chigwidden

R2 S. Duong

E.M P. O'Brien

C.R. J. Randabel-Williamson
L. Sunman

GOOLWA Sunday 9am

Commentator: A. Fawkner

R1 C. May

R2 M. Mulvihill

E.M. S. Muller



Next Week : 17th & 18th October

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 L. Blacket

R.2 C. Sutherland

E.M. M. Farmer

C.R. E. O'Connell

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator: W. Baker

R1. R. Klecko

R2 T. Hounslow

E.M P. Clingan

C.R. P. Chigwidden, M. Taylor

GOOLWA Sunday 9am

Commentator: J. Ryan

R1 M. O'Halloran

R2 R. Lee

E.M. M. Ryan

MASS TIMES

- **Victor Harbor** - Weekends - Saturday 6.00pm; Sunday 11.00am. Weekdays - Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9.00am
- **Goolwa** - Weekend - Sunday 9.00am. Weekday - Wednesday 9.30am

- Attendance for mass is dependent on the 1 in 2 sq.m rule restriction.
- This number also applies for funerals and weddings.
- There should be no physical contact outside one's family or household group.
- There should be no shaking of hands or holding hands during the Mass.
- Every gathering must record contact details. Logs are located at the entrance to the Church.
- Hand sanitizer is to be available at church entrances.

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

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• PARISH MANAGERS

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Mrs Pat Clingan (0410 593 617)
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• PARISH NEWSLETTER

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

Mr Merv Mallett (0412 103 443)
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slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests.

When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

DID YOU KNOW?

- The wedding banquet is a commonly used image for the kingdom of God in the Hebrew and the Christian Scriptures. The feast was a symbol of the abundance to be provided by God for those who have faith.
- A Jewish wedding celebration often lasted for as long as a week, which may explain why some were reluctant to attend. Like living in the kingdom, it was demanding!

EXPLORING THE WORD

There are two parables in today's gospel. The first is about the invited guests who are too preoccupied with their own business and affairs to come to the prepared feast. When we consider the length of time that guests may be involved in

celebration, especially one given by a wealthy king, this is more understandable. The response of the invited guests, the chosen people, was to kill the messengers, an echo of last week's gospel where the people of Israel rejected the prophets. The second parable, in the longer version of the gospel, is about the one who came but did not bother to change into his wedding garments. In both, the reaction of the king seems somewhat extreme! But the parables make an important point about the invitation being offered by God: those who do not bother to respond will lose their invitation; those who accept but fail to change their way of life (their clothes) will also lose out. This text warns that Christian life is a web made up of God's gracious invitation and our free response.

MAKING CONNECTIONS

- What excuses do you make for not doing what you ought?
- Are there things which keep you from responding fully to the invitation?
- What are the things in your life that preoccupy you and make it difficult to respond to the invitation of God?

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(12 October - 19 October)

- **Monday, 12:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 28 (Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 - 5:1; Lk 11:29-32)
- **Tuesday, 13:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 28 (Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41)
- **Wednesday, 14:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 28 (Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46)
- **Thursday, 15:** St Teresa of Jesus (Eph 1:1-10; Lk 11:47-54)
- **Friday, 16:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 28 (Eph 1:11-14; Lk 12:1-7)
- **Saturday, 17:** St Ignatius of Antioch (Eph 1:15-23; Lk 12:8-12)
- **Sunday 18:** 29th Sunday Ordinary Time (Is 45:1, 4-6; 1 Thess 1:1-5; Mt 22:15-21)

PASTORAL CARE

If you need a Priest for anointing of the sick or last rites contact: Noarlunga/Seaford (8382 1717), Willunga (0488 287 552), Victor Harbor/Goolwa (8552 1084), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).