

Encouner VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

YEAR A
EASTER SUNDAY

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

Acts 10:34, 37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

SECOND READING

Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved.

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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, Adrian and Margaret Langtry, Brian Smallacombe, Bailey Smallacombe, Russell Crichton, Bill Longworth, Daniel Holliday, Mark & Lola Kelly, Mary Davis, Claire Hamish, Joan Pillion, Angelo Fantasia, Jane Lloyd, West Family, Joseph Barry Kearsley, Lyn McCabe, Kathleen Tiltman.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Michelle Lihou, Lino Ferraro, lan Ferguson.

ASSISTANCE DURING THE CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

We are conscious that there may be times when members of our parish community will need help in this time of the Coronavirus pandemic.

If you think that you might have the virus or have been exposed to the virus, the first step is to contact your doctor

You may then be asked to spend some time in social isolation in your home either because you are suffering from the virus but don't need to go to hospital or if someone you have been in contact with, e.g., family, friends or neighbours, has contracted the virus.

In this case you may need help with shopping, a meal or you just might need to talk to someone.

The following people have offered to be points of contact for anyone in the parish who needs help:

Father Vinh 0429 098 892
Parish House: 8552 1084
GOOLWA: Anne Turner 0459 648 004
Joe and Maire Rvan 0401 671 476

Paul Kennelly **0402 852 825 VICTOR:** Pat Clingan **0410 593 617** John and Wendy Baker **0419 046 147**

Fran Hanna 0415 124 010 MIDDLETON, PT ELLIOT: Ray Klecko 0438 364 870

MISSION CONTACT

In our parish we have many small networks of people who look out for each other. Please keep in contact by phone or email and give any help you feel able to give **safely**.

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2020 PRAYER

INTENTIONS: APRIL Freedom from Addiction

We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.



GOOD FRIDAY



Those watching Jesus on the way to Calvary and as he hung on the cross must have felt helpless to be of any use.

They couldn't take away Jesus' pain or prevent his death but they gave what they could.

A shoulder to share his Cross for a while, a cloth to wipe his face and from the weeping women of Jerusalem, sympathy, from the Good Thief, affirmation, from Mary his mother, deep caring love, from John and Mary Magdalen the support of friends.

And so Jesus' journey to Calvary and his death on the Cross was made a little more bearable.

We can't take away each other's pain or fear or anxiety at this time of distress but we give what we can.

A prayer, a phone call, a text, a card, an errand run, a listening ear, and

the hope of new life to come.



DEATH OF MICHELLE LIHOU

Michelle Lihou, daughter of Bill and Leonie Longworth, passed away on Sunday 5th April Bill and Leonie would like to thank the Catholic community for their wonderful support during this time.

DEATH OF LINO FERRARO

Lino Ferraro, husband of Christina, passed away on Sunday 5th April. May he rest in peace.

Our deepest sympathy to both families at this sad time.

HOLY SATURDAY

A time of sorrow at what has been lost, a time for waiting, just as we wait during this pandemic.

What will happen now?

EASTER VIGIL THIS IS THE NIGHT



The Christian community gathers on this night to 'remember, celebrate and believe' the dying and rising of Jesus – the paschal mystery in which we share through Baptism and Eucharist.

The celebration begins outside the church in darkness. With great solemnity the light is kindled, the darkness vanishes and the Resurrection is proclaimed: it is Easter, Passover.

We process into the church and hear readings from scripture, readings that celebrate God's care of his people from creation through the ages to the present time.

The next movement is to the baptismal font for the renewal of our baptismal promises.

Finally the climax – the Easter banquet – as bread is broken and wine is poured out.

Today we share the Eucharist in spirit.

EASTER SUNDAY

"ON THE THIRD DAY HE ROSE AGAIN FROM THE DEAD."

Jesus gently spread the word to them all, to his Mother, to Mary Magdalen and the other women,



to Peter and John, and gradually to all his followers and we share these stories over the coming days.

Having journeyed with Jesus through the 40 days of Lent we now celebrate his resurrection with him for the next 50 days.

ALLELUIA!!!

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We are also aware that parishioners and their families are facing illness and difficulties apart from those caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

May our risen Lord be with you all.

Bulletin Board







Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia! Thank you for supporting

Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2020 Lenten appeal.

Thank you for supporting us this year as we demonstrate how love and compassion for our global community can transform lives. When we **Go Further Together** in love and compassion, the whole world thrives. You can still donate by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or by phoning 1800 024 413.

PLENARY COUNCIL NEWS



A decision was made to postpone the assembly scheduled for October in Adelaide.

Plenary Council president Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB said in a time of such upheaval, including severe restrictions on travel and group meetings, the postponement was unavoidable.

ONLINE RESOURCES

Father Vinh's homilies http://www.victorgoolwacatholic.org.au/ and click on link.

St Francis Xavier's Cathedral Live streaming of Daily Mass at 12.10pm.

http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/ news-and-events/coronavirus-updatesand-alerts/videos

or on Facebook

https://www.facebook.com/ adelaidearchdiocese/

Darwin with Bishop Charles:

http://www.darwin.catholic.org.au/

or on Facebook

https://www.facebook.com/pg/darwindiocese/videos/?ref=page_internal

AROUND THE PARISH

The Knights of the Southern Cross

thank all participants in the recent 45 Club Series 1 which concluded last weekend. Series 2 has been cancelled owing to the current difficulties in contacting parishioners. Once the restrictions have been lifted we hope and pray that this significant source of funding will be continued.

Our phone call teams in Goolwa and Victor are continuing to contact parishioners to see how they are and to update any email addresses on our register so that people can receive the *Encounter*. And many thanks to those many people who are keeping in touch with other parishioners.

People are using their time productively. Wendy Baker reports:

There are a few advantages to "at home"ness ... we've mended the sliding door (runs beautifully now and been annoying us since we moved in 18 months ago!), put new proper feet on the dining room chairs to protect the floor, and upgraded a couple of other things around the place. As long as we only do one such thing a day we won't run out of jobs!

From others

How we all miss the Mass! and I thought Fr Vinh's homily today was great. He seemed to put a lot of thought into it, and gave us something to think about.

A prayerful suggestion:

Instead of Happy Birthday which the authorities say is the time you should take to properly wash your hands, we can substitute the Hail Mary.

BIRTHDAYS

Just when you rejoiced that you had escaped an embarrassing Happy Birthday at Mass we thought it would be good to remember you in the *Encounter!* These birthdays are taken from our Centenary Calendar.

A few belated birthdays:

Marilyn Freeborn 17th March Rose Mulraney 28th March Ray Barlow Friday 3rd April

This week we have:

Stella Barresi 8th April Maria Deferia 10th April Mary Burford 11th April

Birthday blessings to you all.

Let us know if there are any other celebrations coming up. There must be a wedding anniversary or two on the horizon. Also feel free to send in any news items for Around the Parish. fran.hanna@bigpond.com

REQUEST FROM FATHER PHILIP MARSHALL

We call on our communities to pause for prayer at <u>8am every Friday</u> until at least Pentecost. This pause can be for just a few minutes to pray for:

- An end to the pandemic
- Healing for people suffering from the illness
- Those researching a vaccine
- Our political and community leaders as they try to provide wise leadership
- Our health workers as they are at the front line
- Those affected financially and mentally by the crisis.



LIVE STREAMING and TV BROADCAST of HOLY WEEK AND EASTER MASSES

EASTER SERVICES

will be broadcast on free-to-airtelevision on Channel 44, a community television station, at the following times:

- Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper, 6.30pm - 7.30pm
- Good Friday of the Lord, 3pm - 4pm
- Holy Saturday Easter Vigil in the Holy Night, 6pm - 7pm

Easter Sunday, 9am - 10am

It can also be viewed by going to www.c44.com.au

and selecting the Watch Live link. Channel 7 is livestreaming

commercial free as follows:

The Lord's Passion at 3pm on Good Friday and Easter Sunday Mass from 10.30am across the country on Channel 7, Prime 7 in regional areas, and live-streamed on 7plus

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

This can be viewed on YouTube at https://youtu.be/l26jKw-KHwM



CORONAVIRUS UPDATE



THERE WILL BE NO
MASSES OR PUBLIC
LITURGIES IN
EITHER OF OUR
CHURCHES UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE

FOR MORE INFORMATION
PLEASE SEE THE NEWSLETTER
ON OUR PARISH WEBSITE

www.victorgoolwacatholic.org.au/ news.html

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

PARISH PRIEST

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PARISH MANAGERS

Mr Ray Klecko (0438 364 870) Mrs Pat Clingan (0410 593 617) Email: Parish manager@bigpond.com

• PARISH NEWSLETTER

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

PARISH TREASURER

Mr Merv Mallett (0412 103 443) Email: Parish_treasure@bigpond.com

CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159 Cathy May (Goolwa - 0401 584 237) Parish Office (Victor Harbor 8552 1084) (Continued from page 1)

'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first: he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head: this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.



THIS MAN GOD CHOSE

What if Mary hadn't gone to the tomb that day? John tells us she got up in the darkness, the day after the Sabbath, as soon as religion allowed for work to be done. She had waited with great longing for the end of Saturday, so that she could return to the burial place and anoint the body of one she loved. When she arrived in that dark hour, she found the stone rolled away and her fear propelled her into the presence of the disciples. Jesus' body was stolen!

Her report mobilised the men, and so Easter came into being. But what if Mary had not returned to the site because of discouragement, fear, or sheer exhaustion? Would anyone have discovered the miracle? Often, we reach the end of our own personal passion week, and never make it to the empty tomb. Lots of things conspire to keep us away. Love is the only reason to go forward, to find that the night is ended, and a new world has dawned.

What difference does the resurrection of Jesus make to you? GPBS eNews

GLORY BE!

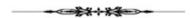
My dad had a knack for gathering in troubled souls, and my mum had a talent for nurturing them back to health. My parents' charges didn't always stay well, but at least they were offered a moment of sanity in the chaos of their lives.

At Easter I always think of Butchie. She was a beautiful young woman, the daughter of a work friend of Dad's, who had a serious drug habit that she just couldn't seem to kick. She'd worn out her welcome at the home of every friend and relation, so she came knocking on Big John Tuohy's door. Dad said, sure she could come live with us as long as she stayed sober, kept a job, and didn't give my mother any worries. My dad let her know he hoped she'd be going to Mass with us. "Next Sunday is Easter," he told her. "Bonnets are required".

After most of the appropriately and demurely adorned congregation filed into church Easter morning, in traipsed the Tuohy clan. Hushed gasps and quelled guffaws followed as the congregation beheld Butchie in all her glory: red shoes, red stockings, red shoes, and a red straw bonnet with black netting and loads of feathers. She looked like a crimson bird of paradise.

The homespun life didn't hold Butchie's interest for long. But for one brief moment she stood in the light of the Resurrection. I hope that light still shines on her.

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS (13 - 19 April)

- *Monday, 13:* Monday within Easter Octave (Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15)
- *Tuesday, 14:* Tuesday within Easter Octave (Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18)
- *Wednesday, 15:* Wednesday within Easter Octave Week (Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35)
- *Thursday, 16:* Thursday within Easter Octave (Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48)
- *Friday, 17:* Friday within Easter Octave Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14)
- *Saturday, 18:* Saturday within Easter Octave (Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15)
- *Sunday 19:* Second Sunday of Easter (Acts 10:34, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:19-31) 2:42-47; 1 Pet 20:1-9)

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).