



# Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Year B

*A living, vibrant  
faith community*

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## VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT

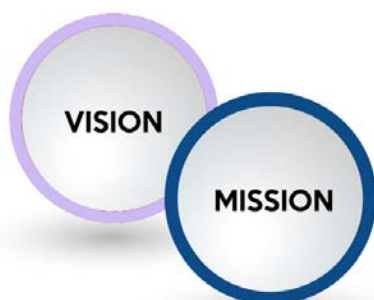
Our vision is to build a faith community, centred on the loving relationship of Father, Son and Holy Spirit, expressed in personal lives and in communal Parish activities.

### 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.

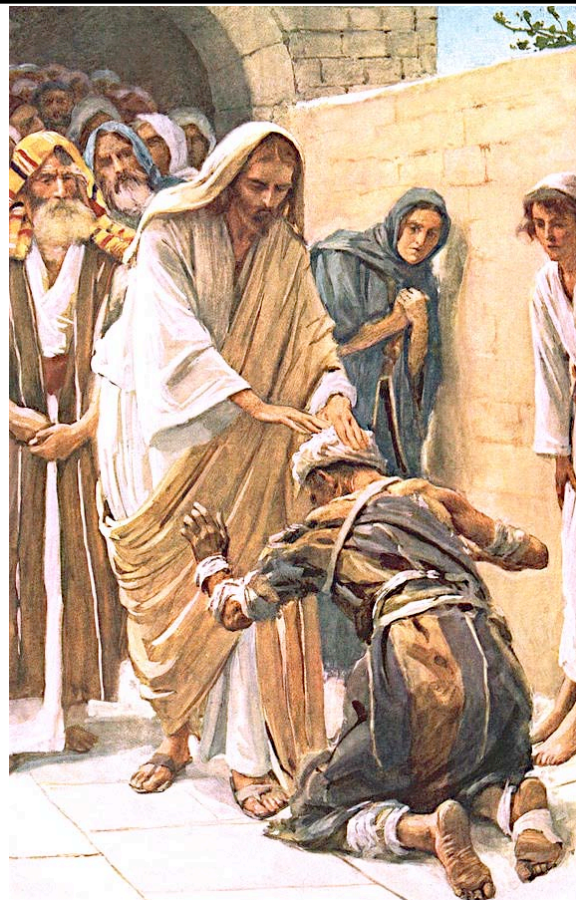


## FIRST READING

*Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46*

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean." As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart: he must live outside the camp.'



## RESPONSORIAL

**PSALM Ps 31:1-2, 5, 11**

*I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.*

## SECOND READING

*1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1*

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved. Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Lk 7:16*

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people.*

*Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

*Mark 1:40-45*

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.'

The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

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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, Angelo Fantasia, Jane Lloyd, West Family, Kathleen Tiltman, Joseph Barry Kearsley, Lyn McCabe, Emily McCarthy, Josephine Proctor, Lance Evans, Chloe Randabel, Charlie Nicolson, Miriam Kaye, Bill Sloan, Ella Sajn, Brenna Schneideman, Peter Harris, Rhiannon Healey, Bette Higgins, Shane Johnson, Barry Wilks, Paula Collinson, Rosalie Buck.

## ANNIVERSARIES

Fr. Jim Honner, P. McInnes

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Archbishop Philip Wilson, Margaret Ray.

## PARISH COLLECTION 6th & 7th February

(Presbytery) \$806.20  
2nd (Parish) \$1013.80  
Unborn Child \$505.00

## VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER 19th & 26th February

P. & J. Mezzino  
5th & 12th March  
M. Farmer & C. Pearsons

## VICTOR MORNING TEA 14th February

A. Temme & M. Chalmers  
21st February  
J. & R. Randabel-Williamson

## VICTOR MEET & GREET February Saturdays

M. Farmer & H. Anderson  
February Sundays  
L. Sunman & J. Schulze

## GOOLWA MEET & GREET February

J. McInnes

## GOOLWA MORNING TEA February 14th

## THE HOLY FATHER'S 2021

### PRAYER INTENTIONS:

#### February

#### Violence Against Women .

We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.



## DELETION OF NAMES FROM SPECIAL INTENTIONS LIST

Names will be removed from this list unless the Office is advised otherwise

## EXPLORING THE GOSPEL

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

**CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY** Groups meet fortnightly on Mondays 2-4pm.

Phone Rob & Jocelyne Randabel-Williamson on 0402 341 071

## THE CENACLE

You are invited to join us in The Cenacle held every Wednesday at 10am in St Joan of Arc Church. We start by praying the Rosary, reading, meditating and reflecting on one of the messages given to Father Gobbi by Mary our Mother, and making an act of consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Gemma Woodhead 0492 849 414.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Next meeting at Goolwa on 17th February after 9.30am Mass.



## GOOLWA CUPPA

Feb 14th: Morning tea after Mass. Bring your own cup or paper cups supplied.

## NEW VICTOR READERS' ROSTER

Mary Ferguson is asking readers to let her know if you are not available to read during March, April and May.

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday March 5th at 2pm.

**Goolwa:** This year to be held at the Catholic Church and hosted by the Anglican Church

**Victor Harbor:** Salvation Army Hall, Bartel Boulevard, Encounter Bay.

**WELCOME** Marie Insch from Alice Springs. We hope you quickly feel at home in our parish.

## NOTES FROM THE JANUARY PPC MEETING

**Appreciation:** Thank you Father Vinh and volunteers who supported additional Christmas Masses and increased visitor numbers during the holidays!



**Fellowship:** Parishioners encouraged to meet and socialise in Lakeside Village and Rosetta Village.

**Volunteer Occupational Health and Safety Officer:** Current vacancy.

**PPC Resignation:** Janet Murray is thanked for her service.

**Sister Parish Relationship Comoro Parish, Timor Leste:** Parishioners invited to join a Working Party.

### St Joan's:

- Air conditioners to be serviced and cleaned.
- Additional sound speakers installed: People with hearing loss may hear better in the back pews.

- Maintenance responsibility shared:

Gardening: Mike McBride

Rubbish bins: Bill Woodhead

General: Volunteers

### St John's

- Pastoral Group reconvened - new members welcome!

**PPC Meeting Agenda Items:** If you would like the PPC to consider an Item please contact Father Vinh or Paul Kennelly, Chair.

**PPC Meeting Minutes:** Available for reading on Church Noticeboards.

Thank you for your consideration,

*Rose Mulraney, Secretary PPC*

## PRAYER DURING LENT

Archbishop Patrick wishes to have a prayer during Lent in all parishes instead of Stational Masses. At this stage we do not have this prayer book. Fr Vinh is seeking volunteers who will wish to lead this prayer at the Church, or at home where you can invite friends to join with you. Please let Fr. Vinh know.

## GOOLWA MESSY CHURCH

There is to be a **planning meeting on Tuesday evening 16<sup>th</sup> February, 7:30pm** at the Catholic Church, Gardiner St. to work out the way forward in 2021. You are invited to attend if you are interested in serving families in our community. We'd love to have you.

For further details contact Judy Przibilla 0439 863 065 or email [jprzibilla@bigpond.com](mailto:jprzibilla@bigpond.com) or just come along on Tuesday evening.





## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr. B

*I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble,  
and You fill me with the joy of  
salvation.*

Happy the man whose offence is  
forgiven, whose sin is remitted.  
O happy the man to whom the Lord  
imputes no guilt,  
in whose spirit is no guile.

But now I have acknowledged my sins;  
my guilt I did not hide. I said, 'I will  
confess my offence to the Lord.'  
And You, Lord, have forgiven  
the guilt of my sin.

Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord,  
exult, you just!  
O come, ring out your joy,  
all you upright of heart.



## ASH WEDNESDAY

17th February

**MASS TIMES**

**GOOLWA 9.30am**

**VICTOR 6.00pm**



There's something about  
Ash Wednesday that draws  
us in, calls us to return to  
sanity, to a change of heart  
and mind.

Lent doesn't take us away from our  
ordinary lives, but rather it invites us to  
bring a new and holy attention to those  
activities. This should be the way with all  
of our spiritual practices. We take time  
apart in order to return to our daily  
activities with new inspiration. God will  
always surprise us with possibilities when  
we least expect them. Let this Lent be  
one of those surprises.

*Franciscan Media*

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**Fridays in Lent**

**Goolwa 3.00pm**

**Victor 5.00pm**

## ALTAR ROSTER VICTOR

Please make sure the artificial flowers  
are carefully placed on the shelf in the  
back flower room.

## PROJECT COMPASSION BE MORE

The theme of Project Compassion is taken  
from a saying of St Oscar Romero  
**"Aspire not to have more but to  
be more."**

### Week 1

#### Jamila, Bangladesh



Twenty-two-year-old, Jamila,  
is a single mother, living in the  
world's largest refugee camp  
in Bangladesh. A Rohingya  
woman, she fled the armed

conflict in Myanmar's Rakhine State to save  
herself, her elderly mother and eight-month-  
old baby daughter. Having been abandoned  
by her husband, she faced life in the camp on  
her own.

Thanks to the generosity of Caritas Australia's  
supporters Jamila had access to emergency  
food and shelter. Then, as her stay in the  
camp stretched on, Jamila joined the Women  
Friendly Spaces project where she received  
counselling and emotional support. She learnt  
about health and hygiene, participated in a  
parenting program and learnt sewing skills, to  
help her to earn an income.

**"I want to offer my thankful greetings to  
those who are kindly thinking of us from  
overseas", Jamila says. "Thank you, and  
thanks Caritas Australia."**

**You can donate online at**

<https://lent.caritas.org.au/donate>

**or through the envelopes on the pews**

## K S C NEWS FEBRUARY 2021

Our next BBQ will be held on March 6th.  
The Knights are looking at a mini St Pat's  
night on Sunday March 14th.  
More details later

### Members' anniversaries

Peter McInnes, Frank Refchange and Wally  
West. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

**The next Knight's meeting** is on  
Wednesday Feb 17th at 4pm.

## INTERCHURCH REPORT

The first meeting of the Goolwa Interchurch  
group was held on Feb 4th. Items discussed  
were as follows:

1. Goolwa Christmas Day Lunch - A success
2. World Day of Prayer
3. Easter Sunrise service - cancelled 2021
4. Consideration of goodie bags to service  
and school groups from the churches in  
appreciation of their efforts

Other Goolwa Christian group reports were  
discussed. *Paul Kennelly*

## This Week : 13th & 14th February

**VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm**

**Commentator:** J. Ryan

**R.1** L. Blacket

**R.2** C. Sutherland

**E.M.** E. O'Shaughnessy

**VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am**

**Commentator:** F. Hanna

**R.1.** J. Tregeagle

**R2** A. Williss

**E.M** P. Clingan

**GOOLWA Sunday 9am**

**Commentator:** J. Ryan

**R1** C. May

**R2** K. O'Shea

**E.M.** M. Ryan



## Next Week : 20th & 21st February

**VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm**

**Commentator:** E. O'Shaughnessy

**R.1** M. Farmer

**R.2** B. Bullen

**E.M.** E. O'Connell

**VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am**

**Commentator:** R. Klecko

**R1.** J. Tregeagle

**R2** A. Williss

**E.M** P. Clingan

**GOOLWA Sunday 9am**

**Commentator:** D. Huppertz

**R1** A. Fawkner

**R2** K. Fawkner

**E.M.** T. Siciliano

## 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

## COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

(Current for 23/24 January)

- Attendees at Mass must maintain social distancing of 1:2 sqm.
- Funerals are capped at 200 people, whilst maintaining 1:2 sqm.
- Weddings are capped at 200 people, whilst maintaining 1:2 sqm.
- No beverage or food consumption (ie cup of tea after Mass)
- Singing as a congregation is to be avoided.
- 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 - either with the QR code for smart phones, or the handwritten log - both located at the entrance to the Church.
- Hand sanitizer is to be available at church entrance
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are encouraged not to attend.
- The obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage.

## VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE

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## PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

### • PARISH PRIEST

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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](mailto:catholicvhg@bigpond.com) (All items for the newsletter by Wednesday evening)

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## EXPLORING THE WORD

This is yet another confrontation between Jesus and evil. In recent gospels, we have seen Jesus overcome possessing demons, sickness and social taboos; many of the themes merge in this text.

The leper takes an audacious step in approaching Jesus, defying all the rules and conventions of his society. Despite his exclusion and isolation, he has not lost hope. Jesus reacts in exactly the opposite way from that which may be expected. He is moved by pity not revulsion. Instead of sending the man away he responds with immense compassion to the man's courage and faith. He reaches out and touches him. This is not only an act of ritual impurity but of human foolhardiness! Not wanting to be known only as a miracle worker, Jesus orders the leper not to speak of his cure but to undergo the necessary rituals to enable him to re-enter the people of Israel. The priest should be able to recognise that, in the cure of the leper, the prophecy of Isaiah is being fulfilled and the Messiah is among them. The great irony is that by curing the leper and allowing his re-entry into the community, Jesus places himself in a position where he is forced to go out into isolation in places where no-one lived.

## DID YOU KNOW?

- As the first reading suggests, having or being suspected of having leprosy caused a person to live outside the community. They were considered unclean and had to warn of their approach so that they would not contaminate others. While this was a measure to protect the community, it must have been unbearable to live this way, not only sick but totally excluded.
- The very elaborate regulations about leprosy and becoming purified after its cure can be read in Leviticus 13 and 14. Leviticus is one of the first five books of the Hebrew Scriptures known as the

Torah or the Law. They are often referred to as the books of Moses.

- By responding to the leper and touching him, Jesus put himself 'outside the community' and is now forced to 'stay outside in places where nobody lived'.

## BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

Mark's Gospel tells us that after this healing, it became difficult for Jesus to travel freely. There are several possible explanations for this. There might have been concern about the repercussions of Jesus' breach of social and religious norms. In touching the man with leprosy, Jesus made himself unclean. Mark's narrative, however, leads to the conclusion that Jesus' movement was hampered by his popularity. Despite his instructions, the cured man spread the word about Jesus' healing power. Even when Jesus was in deserted places, people sought him out in search of his healing.

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(15 - 21 February)

- **Monday, 15:** Weekday, Ord Time 6 ( Gen 4:1-15, 25; Mk 8:11-13)
- **Tuesday, 16:** Weekday, Ord Time 6 ( Gen 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10; Mk 8:14-21)
- **Wednesday, 17:** ASH WEDNESDAY (Joel 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20 - 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18)
- **Thursday, 18:** Thursday after Ash Wednesday (Deut 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25)
- **Friday, 19:** Friday after Ash Wednesday (Is 58:1-9; Mt 9:14-15)
- **Saturday, 20:** Saturday after Ash Wednesday ( Is 58:9-14; Lk 5:27-32 )
- **Sunday 21:** FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (Gen 9:8-15; 1 Pet 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15)

## 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).