



# Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

YEAR A  
22<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME

*A living, vibrant  
faith community*

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## VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT

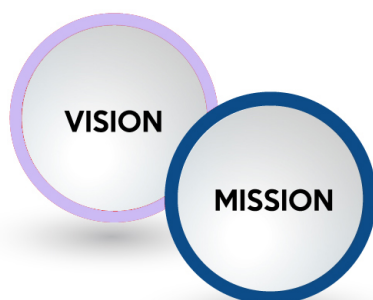
Our vision is to build a faith community, centred on the loving relationship of Father, Son and Holy Spirit, expressed in personal lives and in communal Parish activities.

### 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

*Jeremiah 20:7-9*

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced; you have overpowered me: you were the stronger. I am a daily laughing-stock, everybody's butt. Each time I speak the word, I have to howl and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!'

The word of the Lord has meant for me insult, derision, all day long. I used to say, 'I will not think about him, I will not speak in his name any more.'

Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones. The effort to restrain it wearied me, I could not bear it.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 62:2-6, 8-9*

*My soul is thirsting for you,  
O Lord my God.*

## SECOND READING

*Romans 12:1-2*

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is

the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.

## 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 16:21-27*

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord,' he said 'this must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it;

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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,  
Father John Langtry,  
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,  
Andrew Sampson, Chloe Randabel  
Charlie Nicolson, Miriam Kaye  
Bill & Anne Sloane, Ella Sajn.

## ANNIVERSARIES

Ian Reid

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Ted Turner, Kevin Cousins,  
Adrian Langtry, Elsie Mary Egan,  
Robin Graham

## THE HOLY FATHER'S 2020 PRAYER INTENTIONS: AUGUST

### The Maritime World

We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.



**ST JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB** morning tea will resume again at St Joan's from Sunday 6th September after 11am Mass. Social distancing & hygiene required. Rosters available soon.

**ST JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB** will hold their next meeting on Tuesday 8th September at 1.30pm in the Annex, all welcome.

## ST JOHN'S GARDENING MORNING

**Tuesday 1st September from 930 am.** The last months have seen good roll ups and the grounds look the better for it. Well done to all involved.



## KSC WINE RAFFLE.

Thank you to all from Victor and Goolwa who have supported our wine raffle so well again. We are truly grateful to you all. Tickets will certainly be sold out by this Sunday, so the draw will be held after Mass at Goolwa.

## ST JOAN'S MAINTENANCE GROUP

The next meeting is on **Wednesday 2nd September at 9.30am,** Morning tea to follow. New members welcome. Peter Sampson 8552 3989.



## NEW PEOPLE FOR ALTAR ROSTER

**Volunteers are needed for St Joan's Altar Roster.** The tasks involved are not onerous and can be done in about an hour. Your fortnightly turn comes up about four times a year. Both men and women welcome. Contact Mary Ferguson on 0434 877 863 if you can help.

## BIRTHDAYS

Pat Royle 31st August  
All the best Pat!!!

## OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY

We thank Tony Agius who set up the records of OH&S. He has resigned due to health issues. Our Parish is looking for a replacement officer. If you wish to volunteer please contact Fr. Vinh or Helen Taylor.

## SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

30th August

**THEME: TO LIVE LIFE TO THE FULL: MENTAL HEALTH IN AUSTRALIA.**

Go to this website for the whole Social Justice Statement for 2020.

<https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/>

## NEW MEMBERS FOR PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Thank you to Ray Klecko, Fran Hanna, Meredith Cunningham and Maria Von Holst who have completed their time on the PPC. We are grateful for their service..

We welcome new members for the PPC: Rose Mulraney, Sue McCarthy, David Taggart, Janet Murray and Ted Hounslow. They join John Dunthorne, Paul Kennelly, Cheryl Williams, Meg Klecko, John Baker, Mark Leaney and Paul O'Brien. Geoff Chalmers is taking some more time to decide if he feels called to join the group.

## CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

In light of recommendations from the State Government which have been adopted in our Archdiocese it has been decided at our PPC meeting that *congregational singing will no longer take place in our two churches.* This is because of evidence that "singing increases the distance that droplets from the mouth can travel and spread". We very much regret the need for this decision but feel that the health and safety of our parishioners is paramount. **Choirs are permitted provided singers are able to be social distanced from each other and the rest of the congregation.** Numbers are limited to a designated person or a very small group. **In addition you are asked not to kneel during Mass. Please sit or stand.**

## 45 CLUB EXPLAINED

For a donation of only \$20 you make a worthwhile contribution to the Knights' support of needy organisations. At the same time, you are in a weekly draw for ten weeks for a \$25 prize plus a chance to win the final prizes of \$150 (1st) or \$50 (2nd). The draw is based on the SA Saturday X-Lotto.

To participate contact Robert Lee in person at Goolwa or phone 0409 945 019. John Baker has kindly offered to collect donations in Victor Harbor. Alternatively, you may place your \$20 in an envelope clearly marked "45 CLUB" with your name and contact number.

## CATHOLIC CHARITIES 2020 APPEAL MONTH

Envelopes are now available for the month of September.

## PARISH COLLECTION 22nd & 23rd August

1st (Presbytery)	\$750.85
2nd (Parish)	\$1,171.35

## VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER 29th August

M. Farmer & C. Pearsons  
**5th & 12th Sept**  
F. Harris

## VICTOR MEET & GREET September Saturdays

M. Farmer, D. McLaughlin

## September Sundays

H. Sampson, L. Sunman

## ST JOAN'S CHOIR:

Practice time is 10.30am each Friday

## GOOLWA MEET & GREET September J. McInnes

## ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice time 2pm Wednesday.  
Call Claire Williams 0429 008 199.

# Bulletin Board



## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr. A

*My soul is thirsting for You, O Lord my God*

O God, You are my God, for You I long  
for You my soul is thirsting.  
My body pines for You  
like a dry, weary land without water.

So I gaze on You in the sanctuary  
to see Your strength and Your glory.  
For Your love is better than life,  
my lips will speak Your praise.

So I will bless You all my life,  
In Your name I will lift up my hands.  
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet  
my mouth shall praise You with joy.

For You have been my help;  
in the shadow of Your wings rejoice.  
My soul clings to You;  
Your right hand holds me fast.



## SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT

Feast Day 3rd September  
(540 – 604)



Saint Gregory was born in Rome and was senator and then prefect of Rome before he was 30. After five years he became a monk; he turned his

house into a Benedictine monastery, and founded six others. At 50 he became pope, serving from 590 to 604. After seeing English children sold as slaves in Rome, he sent 40 monks, including St. Augustine of Canterbury, to England from his own monastery. He watched over the holiness of clergy, and the temporal interests of his people of Rome. He removed unworthy priests from office, forbade taking money for many services. He emptied the papal treasury to ransom prisoners of the Lombards and to care for persecuted Jews and victims of plague and famine. Gregory reformed the liturgy and the name "Gregorian chant" recalls this great Pope's work in the development of the Church's music. His body lies at St. Peter's in Rome. *Catholic Culture*

## NEXT SUNDAY 6th SEPTEMBER

begins our Season of Creation



**SEASON OF CREATION**

**Celebration.**

Together with Christians all over the world

we celebrate the beauty and fruitfulness of creation, mindful of our duty to preserve and care for it.

**Our theme for next Sunday is:**

**Blossom, representing new life and hope.** Please bring along any blossom you may have to decorate our produce tables along with any home-grown produce you would like to share. Thank you.

## A DAY OF REFLECTION

*In this time of Pandemic*

**Friday September 11<sup>th</sup> at Victor in the Annex from 10am-3pm or you may choose to come morning or afternoon.**

Organisers: Anne Weygood, Fran Hanna, Jocelyne Randabel-Williamson, Father Vinh,

We thought you might like to come and reflect together on your experience of life with Covid-19. *What has been difficult? How have we coped? What have we learned? Where has God been in our lives? Where to now?*

**All welcome. Bring along your friends. Please supply your own lunch and cup.** Ring: Fran Hanna 0415 124 010.

## PRAYER FOR THOSE SUFFERING FROM MENTAL ILL-HEALTH

*Jesus, you invite us all into the fullness of life.*

*May we support one another to flourish in body, mind and spirit. Strengthen our commitment to ensure that nobody falls through gaps in our systems of care.*

**People called you mad. Help us to recognise you in those who suffer mental ill-health today.**

*Show us how to eliminate stigmatisation of mental ill-health from our parishes, schools, communities and organisations.*

**You drew near to those who were suffering in body or mind.**

*May we too feel your nearness when we struggle with mental health challenges.*

*May we be one as members of Your Body.*

**You invite us to share in your ministry of love and true compassion.**

*May we be empowered by your Spirit to reach out to all people in need. May we build communities of welcome and inclusion. Amen*

## Next Week : 29th & 30th August

**VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm**

**Commentator:** E. O'Shaughnessy

**R.1** J. Randabel-Williamson

**R.2** C. Sutherland

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

**VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am**

**Commentator:** F. Hanna

**R1** A. Williss

**R2** T. Hounslow

**E.M** R. Kuske

**GOOLWA Sunday 9am**

**Commentator:** P. Kennelly

**R1** M. Mulvihill

**R2** T. Siciliano

**E.M.** L. Healey



## Next Week : 5th & 6th September

**VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm**

**Commentator:** J. Ryan

**R.1** J. Jeffrey

**R.2** M. Farmer

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

**VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am**

**Commentator:** F. Hanna

**R1** J. Tregeagle

**R2** P. Chigwidden

**E.M** P. Clingan

**GOOLWA Sunday 9am**

**Commentator:** M. O'Halloran

**R1** Marie Riddle

**R2** M. Riddle

**E.M.** A. Turner



## 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 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 must be received no later than Wednesday evening)

### • PARISH TREASURER

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but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?

‘For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.’

## DID YOU KNOW?

- This text marks the beginning of the fourth major section of Matthew's Gospel which follows Jesus' journey to Jerusalem and death.
- The word ‘Satan’ originally meant adversary or accuser. Later it came to mean personified evil. Here Jesus uses it figuratively of Peter who does not yet understand the meaning of Jesus' mission.
- The name Peter comes from the Latin word for rock. In last week's gospel, Jesus named Peter the rock on which the Church would be built. Today that rock has become a stumbling block in Jesus' path!

## SHARING THE TRADITION

Over the long history of the Church there have been many people who have literally taken up the cross of Christ and given their lives for their faith. They are the martyrs of the Church and have a special place of honour. The first martyrdom recorded in the Scriptures is that of Stephen (Acts 6:8-8:3). Over recent weeks we have explored the stories of some people who are modern day martyrs of the Church. Luckily, however, not all those who take up the cross are called to give their lives, but still many shoulder the burden of faith in the face of adversity. One such person was St Damien of Molokai, a Belgian priest of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, who volunteered to work as a missionary chaplain among the lepers of Hawaii at the leper colony on Molokai. Here he laboured for many years until he contracted the disease and finally died of it in 1889. Others Christians, like

Mother Teresa, have chosen to live out their faith in difficult situations.

## EXPLORING THE WORD

This gospel contains the first of three predictions of his passion and death that Jesus makes along his journey to Jerusalem. Matthew tells the story of that journey across the next four chapters of his gospel.

Peter is highly disturbed by the predictions of Jesus' suffering but is soundly rebuked.

The contrast between this text and the gospel of the previous week is stark! In the immediately prior episode, Peter is praised and rewarded for his sublime affirmation of faith, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God'. In this text, Peter's lack of understanding of what that means and the mission Jesus has causes him to be ridiculed as an obstacle to the divine mission.

While we may have some sympathy for Peter in wanting to spare Jesus the pain and suffering he predicts, what is at issue is Peter's failure to see that the cross is part of the plan and that discipleship will also involve the cross.

Taking up the cross, however, will result in great reward and ultimate vindication when the time of judgment comes.

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(31 August - 6 September)

- **Monday, 31:** Weekday, Ord Time 22 (1 Cor 2:1-5; Lk 4:16-30)
- **Tuesday, 1:** Weekday, Ord Time 22 (1 Cor 2:10-16; Lk 4:31-37)
- **Wednesday, 2:** Weekday, Ord Time 22 (1 Cor 3:1-9; Lk 4:38-44)
- **Thursday, 3:** St Gregory the Great (1 Cor 3:18-23; Lk 5:1-13)
- **Friday, 4:** Weekday, Ord Time 22 (1 Cor 4:1-5; Lk 5:33-39)
- **Saturday, 5:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 22 (1 Cor 4:6-15; Lk 6:1-5)
- **Sunday 6:** 23<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Ezek 33:7-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20)

## 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).