



# Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

(Part of the Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island Cluster of Catholic Parishes)



**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A**

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## **VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE**

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## **PARISH TEAM CONTACTS**

### **PARISH PRIEST**

Fr Charles Gauci (involved in another ministry in 2017)

### **PARISH ADMINISTRATOR**

Fr Vinh Tran (phone 8552 1084 - in emergency - mob 0429 098 802)

### **PARISH MANAGER**

Mr Kevin Rucioch (mob 0499 005 714)

### **PARISH NEWSLETTER**

Please forward items for the newsletter to the Parish Office - ph 8552 1084, fax 8552 3439 or [catholicvhg@bigpond.com](mailto:catholicvhg@bigpond.com))  
(All items for the newsletter must be received no later than Wednesday evening)

### **PARISH TREASURER**

Mrs Margaret Meade

## **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

(1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month - Family Mass)

#### **RECONCILIATION**

Sunday 8.30am - 8.50am

## **CHILD PROTECTION**

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159

Child Safe contacts - Kevin Rucioch (0499 005 714) or Ian Reid (8552 4329)



## **FIRST READING**

**2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16**

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.'

One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. 'What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi (his servant) answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.'

Elisha said, 'Call her.'

The servant called her and she stood at the door. This time next year,' Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Ps 88:2-3, 16-19**

*For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.*

## **SECOND READING**

**Romans 6:3-4, 8-11**

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never



die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**1 Peter 2:9**

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people. Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light. Alleluia!*

## **GOSPEL**

**Matthew 10:37-42**

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me.'

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## SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Julie Bradley, Barbara Bond,  
Father John Langtry, Rosemary  
Powell, Patricia Sloan, Susan  
Anderson, Peter Turner,  
Mary & Bob Davis, Donald Telford,  
Rosemary Scholefield,  
Angelo Falco, Vicki Sullivan,  
Valerie Londrigan, David Wark,  
Br Michael Fitzgerald,  
Shirley & Ray Harrison,  
Daniel Holliday, Tania Capogreco,  
Maggie Smith, Mark Kelly's  
grandson, Hugo, Marree & Geoff  
Bannon

## ANNIVESARIES

Brian Davis, Craig Sampson,  
Rose (Glad) Joraslafsky,  
Bryan Henderson, Rita Sullivan,  
Eric Powditch

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Leslie Shanahan, Jim Savage,  
Bob Piper.

## PARISH COLLECTION

### 24th & 25th June

1st (Presbytery) \$809.00  
2nd (Parish) \$1,170.00  
Special Collection \$412.00

## VICTOR MORNING TEA ROSTER

### July 2nd

J. & W. Baker

### July 9th & 16th

E. & A. Temme

## VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

### July 7th

W. & J. Baker, T. Lewis

### July 14th & 21st

R. Reid, B. Murray

## VICTOR MEET & GREET

### July Saturdays

L. & M. Peake & M. Farmer

### July Sundays

R. & J. Randabel-Williamson

**ST. JOAN'S CHOIR:** Practice  
time is 10.30 am each Friday in  
the Church

## GOOLWA MORNING TEA ROSTER

**July** M. Freeborn, A. Fawknor,  
L. Elliott, Irene T

## GOOLWA MEET & GREET

### July

M. Davis, J. McInnes

## ST. JOHN'S CHOIR:

Practice Tuesdays 3.00pm .  
Contact: Athalea 8555 2165



# Bulletin Board

## THE HOLY FATHER'S 2017 PRAYER

### INTENTIONS: JULY – Lapsed Christians.

*That our brothers and sisters who have  
strayed from the faith, through our prayers  
and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover  
the merciful closeness of the Lord and the  
beauty of Christian life..*

## EXPLORING THE GOSPEL

Deepen your understanding of the Sunday  
Gospel at 7.00pm - 8.00pm in the Annex,  
Victor Harbor . All Welcome.

## CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY

Groups meet fortnightly on Thursday nights  
(mixed). 7.00pm-9.00pm and Wednesday  
(women) 1.30pm-3.30pm. Phone Rob &  
Jocelyne Randabel-Williamson for more infor-  
mation. 0402 341 071.

## CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

We meet for Lectio Divina (Scripture Reflec-  
tion) and meditation on Monday evenings for  
2017. Anyone is welcome. Please contact  
Anne Weygood for details. 0429 653 844

## NATIONAL ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLAND CATHOLIC COUNCIL APPEAL

A collection for this Appeal will be taken up  
next weekend 8th & 9th July.

## CATERING FOR FUNERALS

A sub committee of St. Joan's Social Club will  
manage the catering for funerals in future.  
We are looking for volunteers from the parish,  
who are able to help on the day of a funeral,  
to set out food before and clear up after the  
funeral.

Margaret Peake will contact those who can  
donate food, but if you are able to help on the  
day of the funeral, please contact members of  
the sub committee. Anita Willis 8552 8751,  
Colleen Pearsons 8552 2654, Bunny Munday  
8552 3906, Pat Clingan 0410 593 617. If we  
have sufficient numbers, volunteers need not  
attend every funeral.

## AUSTRALIA'S LARGEST CLIMATE PETITION TO FEDERAL MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

You are encouraged today to sign this petition  
which is at the entrance of both churches,  
until the end of July.

## VINNIES SHED CLEARANCE

1 BBQ with gas bottle; 1 computer swivel  
chair. Price: suitable donation. Please  
contact Kevin Rucioch 0499 005 714 or  
John Baker 0419 046 147

## PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

Every two years the Parish Pastoral Council  
looks for nominations for new members to  
replace the retiring councillors.  
According to the website of Catholic Archdio-  
cese of Adelaide.

*"A Parish Pastoral Council consists of the pastor  
together with a group of parishioners chosen by  
the parish community. The Pastoral Council's  
role is to promote the Church's mission to live  
and communicate the love and values of Christ  
in our world. The Pastoral Council shares in the  
responsibility for the ongoing life and develop-  
ment of the faith community, working together  
with parishioners to provide support for their  
efforts to live as followers of Christ".*

If you feel called to become part of this vital  
work in our parish, or you know someone who  
could contribute to the parish in this way, please  
pick up a nomination form in the church foyer  
and when filled in, place in the box also in the  
foyer. If you are nominating someone else,  
please ensure they are aware of the nomina-  
tion. If you have any questions, feel free to dis-  
cuss with a Parish Pastoral Councillor, or with  
Fr. Vinh.

NOMINATIONS CLOSE 2<sup>ND</sup> JULY 2017.

Carol Sutherland

## PARISH GIVING INFORMATION

Parish Giving envelopes for the coming 12  
months are available at the entrance of the  
Church. If your details need updating or if you  
wish to join the Parish Giving Program please  
contact our Treasurer Marg Meade on  
8552 9176 or 0487 835 977. We offer enve-  
lopes, direct debit and credit card payments.  
Thank you for supporting our Parish. Receipts  
for the current year will be supplied on request  
after 30th June. Marg Meade.

## ST. JOAN OF ARC MAINTENANCE REPORT

Since August last year, the Maintenance Group  
has fitted flexible hoses to the gas bottles, re-  
placed a toilet suite in the ladies toilet and the  
wall keysafe at the annex door, timber sur-  
rounds at the base of the pillars inside the  
church were refurbished, small organ power  
point replaced, Sacristy Room painted, Vinnies  
shed skylights replaced, quarry sand spread  
across church front yard. We still found time to  
do garden maintenance. In addition, we ar-  
ranged for contractors to do some heavy prun-  
ing and removal of a tree limb in the grounds  
and had the City Council cut back the street tree  
that protruded far into Church property.  
Peter Sampson

# Bulletin Board



## PSALM FOR 13<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

**For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.**

I will sing for ever of Your love, O Lord;  
through all ages my mouth will proclaim  
Your truth.  
Of this I am sure, that Your love lasts for  
ever,  
that Your truth is firmly established as the  
heavens.

Happy the people who acclaim such a  
King,  
who walk, O Lord, in the light of Your  
face,  
who find their joy every day in Your name,  
who make Your justice the source of their  
bliss.

For it is You, O Lord, Who are the glory of  
their strength;  
it is by Your favour that our might is exalt-  
ed:  
for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord;  
our king in the keeping of the Holy one of  
Israel.

**For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord**



## SAINT THOMAS, APOSTLE Feast Day 3rd July



Poor Thomas!  
He made one  
remark and  
has been  
branded as  
"Doubting  
Thomas" ever

since. But if he doubted, he also believed.  
He made what is certainly the most ex-  
plicit statement of faith in the New Testa-  
ment: "My Lord and My God!" and, in so  
expressing his faith, gave Christians a  
prayer that will be said till the end of time.  
He also occasioned a compliment from  
Jesus, to all later Christians: "Have you  
come to believe because you have seen  
me? Blessed are those who have not  
seen and have believed" (*John 20:29*)  
(*Excerpt: Franciscan media*)

## BLESSED PETER TOROT Feast Day 7th July

Peter Torot lived on a tropical island near  
Rabaul, in what is now known as Papua  
New Guinea. He was born in the village of  
Rakunai, where his father was the tribal

chief. Peter's parents, like  
many other villagers, were  
catechised and later bap-  
tised by Missionaries of the  
Sacred Heart.  
When the Japanese invad-  
ed PNG the military police  
cracked down on Christian  
worship and religious gatherings. They de-  
cided the islanders should return to polyga-  
my and Peter objected to this. Peter was  
arrested in the spring of 1945 and was con-  
fined to a cave. He was given an injection,  
his nose and ears were plugged. When Pe-  
ter began to convulse, his mouth was cov-  
ered and the soldiers held him down until he  
suffocated. Peter was a martyr for the faith.



## ST. MARIA GORETTI Feast Day 6th July 1890 – 1902

St. Maria Goretti is best known for her  
commitment to purity and the courageous  
defence of her faith at the young age of  
eleven that made her willing to undergo  
death rather than participate in a sin against  
God. She is also remarkable for the for-  
giveness she willingly granted her attacker  
as she lay on her deathbed.

(*Excerpt: Catholic News Agency*)

## STATIONS OF CREATION

On Sunday 2nd July at 2.00pm at Parsons  
Beach, Newland Head Conservation Park,  
there will be a prayerful walk down to the  
beach. Gather at 1.45pm in the visitors' car-  
park at the end of Parsons Beach Road.  
From Victor Harbor take Waitpinga Road.  
Please note that good walking shoes are  
necessary and the steep track requires good  
fitness. Wear appropriate clothing for the  
weather.

## FRIENDS OF FRANCIS

A meeting of this group will be held on Sun-  
day 2nd July at 3.15pm in St. Joan's annex  
Victor Harbor. This will be an opportunity to  
explore how, as Catholics, we can respond  
to Pope Francis' call to working for jus-  
tice, peace and the care of creation. Every-  
one welcome, whether you participate in the  
walk or not. Concluding by 4.45pm. Enquir-  
ies to Peter Laffan 8556 3915 or  
<impe@internode.on.net>

## MASS ROSTER

**This Week : July 1st & 2nd**

**VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm**

**Commentator:** E. O'Shaughnessy

**R.1** J. Ryan  
**R.2** J. Randabel-Williamson  
**E.M.** D. McLaughlin, B. Munday

**VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am**

**Commentator :** K. Howard

**R. 1** K. Rucioch  
**R.2** A. Williss  
**E.M.** R. Reid, R. Kuske,  
M. Cunningham, K. Howard,  
M. Ferguson.

**GOOLWA 9.00am**

**Commentator:** J. Ryan

**R.1** Children  
**R.2** Children  
**E.M.** J. McInnes, J. McMahon,  
S. Muller, K. Milne, M. O'Halloran



**Next Week : July 8th & 9th**

**VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm**

**Commentator:** B. Munday

**R.1** V. Wyld  
**R.2** J. Randabel-Williamson  
**E.M.** E. O'Shaughnessy, R. Powell

**VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am**

**Commentator :** P. O'Brien

**R. 1** P. Chigwidden  
**R.2** M. Ferguson  
**E.M.** P. Clingan, M. Lloyd  
A. Rose, P.O'Brien, J. Baker

**GOOLWA 9.00am**

**Commentator:** P. Burns

**R.1** M. Freeborn  
**R.2** P. Kennelly  
**E.M.** Marie Riddle, J. Ryan, M. Ryan,  
T. Siciliano, J. Slagter.

## 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 Honeypt Rd and Goldsmith Dve*  
Saturday 6.00pm  
Sunday 9.00am  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday 11.00am (Spanish Mass)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass)  
Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm  
Monday 9.00am  
Tuesday (2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> week) 9.00am  
Tuesday (1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> week) 9.45am  
Wednesday 7.30pm  
Thursday 9.00am (St John's School)  
Friday 10.00am

### NORMANVILLE

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

### PARNDANA

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 4.00pm

### PENNESHAW

*St Columba, North Terrace  
(shared with Anglicans)*  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday 2.00pm

### SEAFORD

*Seaford Ecumenical Mission, Grand Bvd*  
Sunday 10.45am  
Wednesday 9.00am

### VICTOR HARBOR

*St Joan of Arc, 30 Seaview Road*  
Saturday 6.00pm  
Sunday 11.00am  
Tuesday 9.00am  
Thursday 9.00am  
Friday (other than 1<sup>st</sup>) 9.00am  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday 11.30am

### WILLUNGA

*St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street*  
1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays 8.30am  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays 10.30am  
Wednesday 9.00am  
Thursday 9.00am  
Friday 9.00am

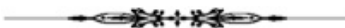
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Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.

‘Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.

‘Anyone who welcomes a prophet will have a prophet’s reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man will have a holy man’s reward.

‘If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.’



## EXPLORING THE WORD

To follow Jesus means putting other important relationships second. It means taking up the cross and perhaps facing the same fate that Jesus met – persecution, suffering, death – but remaining faithful leads to eternal life. In ancient times, a person’s agent was seen to be the person themselves and here, Jesus is giving great dignity to the apostolate of following him by saying it derives from the Father himself through Jesus.

In the Scriptures, a prophet is a person who speaks for God. To be a prophet, one must have a very clear understanding of what God wants and the task is to transmit that message to the people. There are many instances of the people rejecting the message of the prophets. Some scholars translate ‘holy man’ as ‘just man’ or someone who does the will of God. To recognise and welcome the truth is to be a disciple. The cost of discipleship may be high but the rewards are great.

## SHARING THE TRADITION

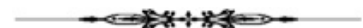
For the first three centuries of the Christian era, to be initiated by Baptism into the new, spiritual family of Christ was to risk one’s life. Christianity was a minority religion in a predominantly pagan world. At various stages, persecutions were carried out against Christians. To remain faithful at such times was very difficult and those who chose Christ were strong indeed. After the Emperor Constantine was converted early in the fourth century, Christianity

became the state religion of the Roman Empire. People flocked to be converted, not always for the right reasons. Numbers grew rapidly and the Church spread and blossomed. With the gains in number, however, came the possibility of a loss in quality of conviction. Were people really as committed to following Jesus as those earlier, persecuted Christians had been?

The modern western world is a very secularised place, where God has been replaced in some people’s hearts by other gods – the quest for profit, individualism, consumerism. Pope John Paul II referred to these things as a ‘new idolatry’. Numbers of practicing Catholics are reducing in many Western countries and we may become a minority again. Today many Christians face persecution of a different kind.

## DID YOU KNOW?

- At the time Matthew’s Gospel was being written, Jewish families were being literally split by those who were making the decision to move away from traditional Jewish beliefs and follow Christ.
- Even though family relationships are vitally important, ‘the first vocation of a Christian is to follow Christ’.



## THIS WEEK’S READINGS (3 - 9 July)

- **Monday, 3:** St Thomas (Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29)
- **Tuesday, 4:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 13 (Gen 19:15-29; Mt 8:23-27)
- **Wednesday, 5:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 13 (Gen 21:5, 8-20; Mt 8:28-34)
- **Thursday, 6:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 13 (Gen 22:1-19; Mt 9:1-8)
- **Friday, 7:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 13 (Gen 23:1-4, 19, 24:1-8, 62-67; Mt 9:9-13)
- **Saturday, 8:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 13 (Gen 27:1-5, 15-29; Mt 9:14-17)
- **Sunday 9:** 14<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Zech 9:9-10; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30)