

Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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



EPIPHANY OF THE LORD - YEAR C

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

Please forward items for the newsletter to the Parish Office - ph 8552 1084, fax 8552 3439 or catholicyhg@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

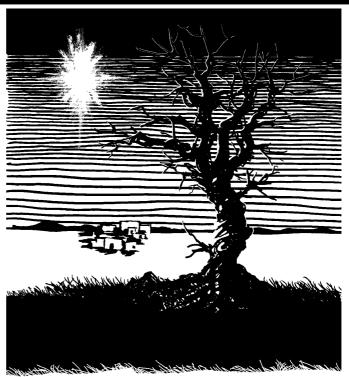
ST JOHN THE APOSTLE

10-14 Gardiner Street, Goolwa MASS TIMES Sunday 9.00am (Ist Sunday of the month - Family Mass) RECONCILIATION Sunday 8.30am - 8.50am

CHILD PROTECTION UNIT

Sally Wellington (Manager) Phone: 8210 8268





FIRST READING

Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine out, Jerusalem, for your light has come, the glory of the Lord is rising on you, though night still covers the earth and darkness the peoples.

Above you the Lord now rises and above you his glory appears. The nations come to your light and kings to your dawning brightness.

Lift up your eyes and look round: all are assembling and coming towards you, your sons from far away and daughters being tenderly carried.

At this sight you will grow radiant, your heart throbbing and full; since the riches of the sea will flow to you; the wealth of the nations come to you; camels in throngs will cover you, and dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; everyone in Sheba will come, bringing gold and incense and singing the praise of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 3:2-3. 5-6

You have probably heard how I have been entrusted by God with the grace he meant for you, and that it was by a revelation that I was given the knowledge of the mystery. This mystery that has now been revealed through the Spirit to his holy apostles and prophets was unknown to any men in past generations; it means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body, and that the same promise has been made to them, in Christ Jesus, through the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! We have seen his star in the East;

and have come to adore the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 2:1-12

After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east. 'Where is the infant king of the Jews?' they asked. (Continued page 4)

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

John Hassick, Julie Bradley, Barbara Bond, Tony Sheehan, Vicki Sullivan, Tony Mouole, Carmel Page, Catherine Higgins, Mark Kelly, Peter Turner, Gail Menner, Judy Harrop, Robert Leydon, Father John Langtry,

ANNIVERSARIES

Imelda Bond, Lawrie Bond, Rainer Heufner, Ossie Coughlan, George & Guillia Mezzino, Lily Morelli, Nora & Peree Mattshoss, Mary & Bernard Pattenden, Helen Mawdsley, Kathie Voght. Kevin McMahon, Dennis McMahon, W. Joras-Lafsky

RECENTLY DECEASED

Philip Ellis, Charlie Vassarotti, Jack Harris, Domini Whyntie, Vitas Vasiliaskas,

PARISH COLLECTION

19th/20th Dec

1st (Presbytery) \$ 973.60 2nd (Parish) \$ 1,198.20

26th/27th Dec

1st (Presbytery) \$2,438.50 2nd (Parish) \$1,451.00

VICTOR MORNING TEA ROSTER

<u>January 3rd</u> M. Cunningham, A. Wright

January 10th—17th

W. & J. Baker

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

January 1st - 8th

M. Davis & F. Harris

VICTOR MEET & GREET

January Saturdays

L. & M. Peake

January Sundays

L. & M. Fracek

ST. JOAN'S CHOIR

Practice time is at 10.30am each Friday in the Church.

GOOLWA MORNING TEA ROSTER

January D. Lee, I. Vander Kamp, Anke, G. Johns, G. Seah

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

January E. Oates



ST. JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB SPECIAL MEETING FOR GALA DAY



On Tuesday, 12th January, at 1.30pm in St. Joan's annex. **Parishioners please come along to this meeting** and help us make the Gala Day a great success.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS LIST

There are many names on the Special Intentions list that have been there for some time. In future names will be removed from the list after 4 weeks unless the Parish Office is advised otherwise. If you wish to retain a name on the list, please advise the Office accordingly.

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY

Groups meet fortnightly on Thursday nights (mixed) 7-9 pm and Wednesday (women) 1.30 - 3.30 pm. Phone Rob and Jocelyne Randabel-Williamson for more information. 0402 341 071.

EXPLORING THE GOSPEL.

The next meeting of this group will be held on 3rd January.

CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

Next meeting will be Wednesday 6th January. If you would like to join us please contact: Anne Weygood 0429 653 844.

THE ROSARY AT ST. JOAN'S

The Rosary is prayed 30 minutes before each Mass at St. Joan's, Victor Harbor - all welcome.

PICK UP FOR CHURCH SERVICES

Thank you to those who currently take our parishioners to Church. If you need a ride to any Church Service, please contact the Parish Office 8552 1084.

PARISH CALENDAR FOR 2016

At the Parish Pastoral Council meeting it was decided that the new calendar should be drawn up now. Each parish group is asked to note the date and time of meetings on the calendar in the Annex. If you wish to add future events, please check the events calendar beforehand to avoid clashing with an existing event. Kevin Rucioch, Parish Manager. 0408 166 476

ST. JOAN'S MAINTENANCE GROUP AND MEN'S MORNING TEA

Work starts at 9.30am on Wednesday 13th January 2016. Morning tea at 10.30am in the Annex for all men of the parish. Some recent projects have been the



laying of quarry rubble around the Vinnies Shed; provision of a cupboard for Hymn Books; shelf for Mary Mackillop's statue; removal of courtyard tree; courtyard garden bench repainted and a reserved parking sign mounted in courtyard area.

ST. JOAN OF ARC RENOVATION APPEAL

Your continuing support is still welcome. Progressive total as at 27th December: \$70,266.51.

GOOLWA INTER CHURCH CONNECT

This is a group representing all the seven Christian churches in the Goolwa area. They meet every quarter and since starting, there has been great harmony and respect within the group. It has been decided that each year one of the different denominations will host and lead the meetings. It is our turn in 2016. Bill Longworth will chair the meetings next year and Paul Kennelly will act as secretary. The first meeting will be 11th February 2016 at 7.30pm at St. John's.

GOOLWA CHRISTIAN BOOK SHOP

This service to the community is in urgent need of your support. Please call into the shop in Cadell St. Goolwa. Christian cards and gifts are on display.

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Please note our friendship club is in recess until Tuesday 2nd February 2016. We look forward to meeting you then, in the Annex at St. Joan's Victor Harbor.

INTERCHURCH PRAYER SERVICE

will be held at Goolwa on Sunday 10th January at the Church of Christ commencing at 5pm and lasting about an hour. All the Christian Churches will be represented and we hope many of our Parishioners will be able to get there.

JOSEPHITE CALENDARS are on sale for \$10.00 in the porch







GALA DAY

Advance notice

St. Joan's Social Club would like the assistance of Parishioners and friends for the upcoming

MAJOR FUNDRAISING EVENT

to be held in the annex and surrounds on Saturday 23rd January 2016

This event will include stalls in the annex and car boot sales in the parking area.

DON'T GIVE UP ON NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS.



After months and months of tests to develop an electric light-bulb, Thomas Edison was interviewed by a reporter who asked Edison if he felt like a failure and if he thought he should just give up. Edison replied, "Young man, why would I feel like a failure? And why would I ever give up? I now know definitively over 9,000 ways that an electric light bulb will not work. Success is almost in my grasp." After over 10,000 attempts, Edison successfully invented the light bulb. The point is, don't give up. If it's a worthy goal, it's worth sticking to, even if it means starting over a few times.

NEW YEAR PRAYER

A Relaxed Mind,
A Peaceful Soul,
A Joyful Spirit, A Healthy
Body and Heart full of Love
These are our Prayers for you
Happy New Year





THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

If the Feast of Epiphany is to be fully understood as the Church sees it, it will have to be viewed from two aspects: that of God who manifested Himself to man, and that of man, typified in the Magi, who responded with wholehearted faith and love.

It is, therefore, a day of faith and grace on which no other prayer ought to take precedence over that petition of the Our Father, "Thy Kingdom Come!" Excerpted from *With Christ Through the Year*, Rev. Bernard Strasser, O.S.B

PSALM FOR THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

O, God give your judgement to the king, to a king's son your justice,

that He may judge your people in justice and your poor in right judgement.

In His days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails.

He shall rule from sea to sea, from the Great River to the earth's bounds.

The kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts shall pay Him tribute.

The kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring Him gifts.

Before Him all kings shall fall prostrate, all nations shall serve Him.

For He shall save the poor when they cry and the needy who are helpless.

He will have pity on the weak and save the lives of the poor.

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

MASS ROSTER

This Week: 2nd & 3rd January

VICTOR HARBOR 6pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 V. Wyld

R.2 J. Randabel-Williamson

E.M. P. Harris, E. O'Shaughnessy

VICTOR HARBOR 11am

Commentator: E. Temme

R.1 A. Rose

R.2 W. Baker

E.M. P. Clingan, P.O'Brien, J. Baker, R. Reid, M Cunningham

GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 M. O'Halloran

R.2 S. Tomlinson

E.M. T. Siciliano, A. Turner, P. Burns, J. Slagter, C. Williams



Next Week: 9th & 10th January

VICTOR HARBOR 6pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 J. Ryan

R.2 V. Wyld

E.M. J. Baker, P. Harris

VICTOR HARBOR 11am

Commentator: K. Rucioch

R.1 M. Ferguson

R.2 A. Williss

E.M. A. Rose, R. Reid, A. Weygood, R. Kuske, M. Von Holst

GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: P. Burns

R.1 A. Fawkner

R.2 K. Fawkner

E.M. D. Elliott, L. Elliott, A. Fawkner, K. Fawkner,

M. Galzewski

REGULAR MASS TIMES IN OUR CLUSTER CHURCHES ALDINGA

Mary of Galilee, the First Disciple cnr Quinliven and Howe 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 4th Sunday (Youth Mass) 6.00pm

NOARLUNGA

St Luke, the Evangelist, cnr Honeypot Rd and Goldsmith Dve Saturday 6.00pm Sunday 9.00am 1st Sunday 11.00am (Spanish Mass) 2nd Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass) Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm Monday 9.00am Tuesday 9.00am Wednesday 7.00am, 7.30pm Thursday 9.00am (St John's School) Friday 10.00am

NORMANVILLE

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

PARNDANA

4th Sunday 4.00pm

PENNESHAW

St Columba, North Terrace (shared with Anglicans) 1st 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 1st) 9.00am 1st Friday 11.30am

WILLUNGA

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

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'We saw his star as it rose and have come to do him homage.' When King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 'At Bethlehem in Judaea,' they told him, 'for this is what the prophet wrote:

And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, you are by no means least among the leaders of Judah, for out of you will come a leader who will shepherd my people Israel.'

Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared, and sent them on to Bethlehem. 'Go and find out all about the child,' he said 'and when you have found him, let me know, so that I too may go and do him homage.' Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And there in front of them was the star they had seen rising; it went forward and halted over the place where the child was. The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.

MISERICORDIAE VULTUS -

THE FACE OF MERCY

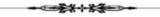
In his announcement about the Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis declared that "no-one can be excluded from the mercy of God."

He went on to say that the Church was "the house where everyone is welcomed and no-one is rejected. Her doors remain wide open, so that those who are touched by grace may find the assurance of forgiveness."

In coming weeks, we will share extracts from the document Misericordiae Vultus (it translates from the Latin as "The Face of Mercy"). This "bull of indiction"

focuses on the theme for the Jubilee Year, namely "Merciful Like the Father". In it, Pope Francis reminds that we are each called to a journey of "spiritual conversion".

"The greater the sin, the greater the love that must be shown by the Church to those who repent," the Pope said in his announcement.



NOTES OF TODAY'S GOSPEL

The second chapter of Matthew is filled with movement. It starts in Bethlehem and ends in Nazareth by way of Egypt. These stories are unique to Matthew, who focuses on the fulfilment of Scripture. The writer draws parallels with the story of Moses.

The evangelist ends his Gospel with the great commission. "Go make disciples of all the Gentiles, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold I am with you all days until the end of the age."

Epiphany, or the showing forth of the presence of God in Jesus, is not the commemoration of a past event but an ever new call to continue the showing forth in our time, in our place, among our people.



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(04 - 10 January)

- Monday, 4: Weekday of Christmas Time (1 Jn 3:22 - 4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25)
- *Tuesday*, 5: Weekday of Christmas Time (1Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44)
- Wednesday, 6: Weekday of Christmas Time (1Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52)
- Thursday, 7: Weekday, Christmas Time (1Jn 4:19-5:4; Lk 4:14-22)
- Friday, 8: Weekday, Christmas Time (1Jn 5:5-123; Lk 5:12-16)
- Saturday, 9: Weekday, Christmas Time (1Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30)
- Sunday, 10: The Baptism of the Lord (Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22)