



Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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



FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

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

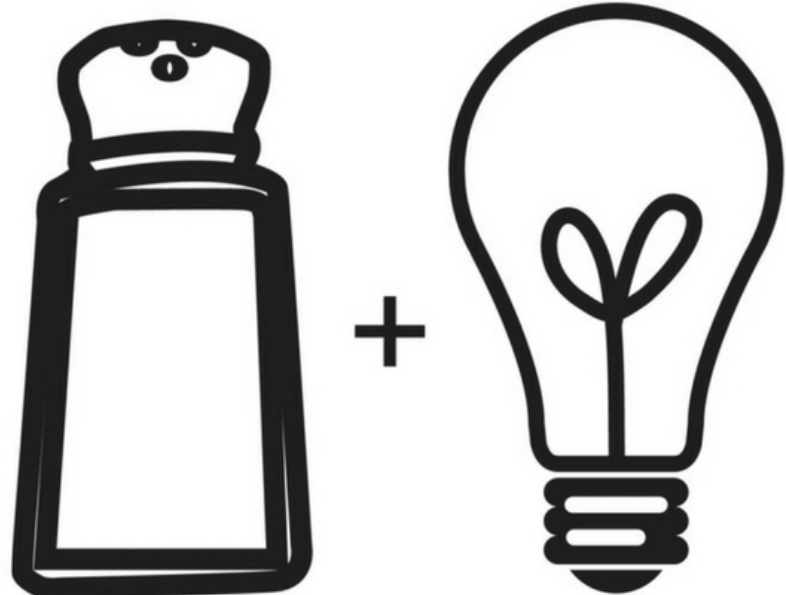
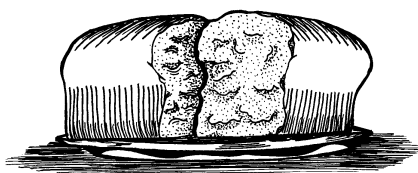
30 Seaview Road, Victor Harbor
MASS TIMES
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 11.00am
RECONCILIATION
Saturday 11.00am - 11.30am
Saturday 5.30pm - 5.50pm

ST JOHN THE APOSTLE 10-14 Gardiner Street, Goolwa

MASS TIMES
Sunday 9.00am
(*1st Sunday of the month - Family Mass*)
RECONCILIATION
Sunday 8.30am - 8.50am

CHILD PROTECTION UNIT

Sally Wellington (Manager)
Phone: 8210 8268



FIRST READING

Isaiah 58:7-10

Thus says the Lord:

Share your bread with the hungry,
and shelter the homeless poor;

clothe the man you see to be naked
and turn not from your own kin.
Then your light will shine like the
dawn and your wound be quickly
healed over.

Your integrity will go before you and
the glory of the Lord behind you.
Cry, and the Lord will answer; call,
and he will say, 'I am here.'

If you do away with the yoke, the
clenched fist, the wicked word, if
you give your bread to the hungry,
and relief to the oppressed, your
light will rise in the darkness, and
your shadows become like noon.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 111:4-9

A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

When I came to you, brothers, it was
not with any show of oratory or
philosophy, but simply to tell you
what God had guaranteed. During
my stay with you, the only

knowledge I claimed to have was
about Jesus, and only about him as
the crucified Christ. Far from relying
on any power of my own, I came
among you in great 'fear and
trembling' and in my speeches and
the sermons that I gave, there were
none of the arguments that belong to
philosophy; only a demonstration of
the power of the Spirit. And I did
this so that your faith should not
depend on human philosophy but on
the power of God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 8:12

Alleluia, alleluia!

*I am the light of the world, says the
Lord; the man who follows me will
have the light of life.*
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 5:13-16

Jesus said to his disciples, 'You are
the salt of the earth. But if salt
becomes tasteless, what can make it
salty again? It is good for nothing,
and can only be thrown out to be
trampled underfoot by men.

'You are the light of the world. A
city built on a hill-top cannot be
hidden. No one lights a lamp to put

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SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Julie Bradley, Barbara Bond,
Mark Kelly, Father John Langtry,
Paul Cullen, Frank Refchange, Pat
Proctor, Rosemary Powell, Patricia
Sloan, Susan Anderson, Doris
Donald, Kathleen Tiltman, Sue
Butler, Peter Turner, Judith Murphy,
John Slagter, Bob Davis, Donald
Telford, Rosemary Scholefield,
Maureen Vieboom, Mary Slattery,
Sister Marie Langtry, Angelo Falco

RECENTLY DECEASED

Roma Scarman

ANNIVERSARIES

Peter McInnes, Jean Warden,
Mary Longworth

PARISH COLLECTION 28th & 29th January

1st (Presbytery) \$1,369.50
2nd (Parish) \$1,938.60

VICTOR MORNING TEA ROSTER

February 5th

R. & J. Randabel-Williamson
February 12th & 19th
R. & I. Reid

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

February 10th & 17th

B. Munday, R. Kuske
February 24th & March 3rd
M. Farmer & C. Pearsons

VICTOR MEET & GREET

February Saturdays

L & M Peake M. Farmer
February Sundays
J. Baker & F. Harris

ST. JOAN'S CHOIR

Practice time is 10.30 am each
Friday in the Church.

GOOLWA MORNING TEA ROSTER

February

M. Wark, M. Davis, A. Turner,
H. Taylor

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

February J. McInnes, M. Davis

ST. JOHN'S CHOIR

Practice is held at 3.00 p.m. every
Tuesday. For details contact
Athalea 8555 2165



Bulletin Board

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2017 PRAYER INTENTIONS: February



Comfort for the Afflicted. That all those who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees, and marginalized, may find welcome and comfort in our communities.

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY

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

EXPLORING THE GOSPEL

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

CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

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

KSC "45 CLUB" BBQ

Members are invited to a free bar-b-que at St. John's, Goolwa on Sunday 12th February from 5.00pm. BYO drinks and salads.

Series 1/17 Nominations are open.

1st Draw will be 11 February, prior to BBQ, Sun 12 Feb.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 8th February after the 9.30am Mass at Goolwa.

ST. JOAN'S MAINTENANCE GROUP AND MORNING TEA

Work starts at 9.30am on Wednesday 8th February followed by morning tea in the annex. **ALL MEN WELCOME**

ST. JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB

will hold their next meeting on Tuesday 14th February at 1.30 pm in the annex.
ALL WELCOME

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER PHILIPPINES

Am I being unfair to you?

Friday 3rd March,
Newland Uniting Church
at 2.00pm.



KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS (KSC) - ST. PATRICK'S WEEKEND

KSC in conjunction with South Lakes Golf Club (SLGC) have reinstated St. Patrick's Day Celebrations on weekend 18/19 March 2017.

Dinner at South Lakes Golf Club, Sat 18 March, 7.00pm for 7.30pm, 2 Course Carvery at \$30.00 per head, this includes \$5.00 worth of free raffle tickets. Bookings with Mike O'Halloran (8555 1635) or Paul Kennelly (0402 852 825).



Golf : Sun. 19 March : Mixed Individual Stableford, 2 tee start 9.30am. Light lunch provided on course. Visitors \$20.00 per head, South Lakes members \$8.00 per head. Book with Phil Burns (0412 700 290) or SLGC Starters Sheet.

ST. JOHN'S SOCIAL CLUB/ PASTORAL CARE GOOLWA

The next meeting of the Social Club will be held on Thursday 9th February at 1.30pm at St. John's followed by Pastoral Care at 2.30pm.

All Welcome

ANNEX CLOSED

The annex will be closed on Tuesday 7th February for cleaning.

PARISH CALENDAR

Anyone wishing to use the annex please check the parish calendar on the wall to make sure your date is available and please notify Kevin Rucioch on 0499 005 714.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB VICTOR HARBOR/ GOOLWA

The first gathering for 2017 will be on Tuesday 21st February from 2.00pm/4.00pm.





PSALM FOR 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

He is a light in the darkness for the upright:
he is generous, merciful and just.
The good man takes pity and lends,
he conducts his affairs with honour.

The just man will never waver:
he will be remembered for ever.
He has no fear of evil news,
with a firm heart he trusts in the Lord.

With a steadfast heart he will not fear; open-
handed, he gives to the poor;
his justice stands firm for ever.
His head will be raised in glory.

A light rises in the darkness for the upright.



ST. PAUL MIKI AND COMPANIONS Feast Day 6th February



On Feb.6th, the Church honours the 26 Martyrs of Nagasaki, a group of native Japanese Catholics and foreign missionaries who suffered death for their faith in the year 1597.

Religious tensions led to a period of persecution during that year. Many

churches were destroyed and missionaries forced to work in secret. But few episodes of martyrdom took place during this time, and within a decade 100,000 more Japanese became Catholic despite the restrictions.

During 1593, Franciscan missionaries came to Japan from the Philippines, but their presence disturbed a delicate situation between the Church and Japanese authorities. St. Paul Miki and his 25 companions were tortured and crucified on Feb 5th, 1597, at the site that became known as "Martyrs' Hill." Pope Pius IX canonized the Martyrs of Nagasaki in 1862.

(Excerpt :CNA)

OUR LADY OF LOURDES Feast Day 11th February



It is more than 150 years since the birth of Bernadette Soubirous, the peasant girl whose visions led to the founding of the shrine at Lourdes in the foothills of the French Pyrenees.

The first apparition occurred 11th February, 1858. There were eighteen in all; the last took place 16th July.

The spring at Lourdes was uncovered by St. Bernadette at the command of Our Lady, who asked her to drink of the as-yet-unseen spring and wash in it. Since then, millions have imbibed and bathed in the water of Lourdes. Early on, some entrepreneurial sorts had hoped to find particular properties in the water which could turn Lourdes into a popular spa destination. But the water was found to be only pure and potable. Faith is the 'secret' ingredient. As Bernadette said, "One must have faith and pray; the water will have no virtue without faith."

ST. SCHOLASTICA Feast Day 10th February (480 – 542)

Twins often share the same interests and ideas with an equal intensity. Therefore, it is no surprise that Scholastica and her twin brother, Benedict, established religious communities within a few miles from each other.

Scholastica and Benedict gave themselves totally to God and gave top priority to deepening their friendship with him through prayer.

(Excerpt: franciscanmedia)

RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE

Parishioners are invited to take part in a retreat in daily life over 4 weeks in this Parish from 24th April to 20th May. It will be co-given by a visiting Tertian Jesuit from Ireland and is based on the spiritual exercises developed by the Jesuit founder, St. Ignatius of Loyola. More details will follow.



This Week : 4th & 5th February

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00p.m.

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 J. Randabel-Williamson

R.2 M. Farmer

E.M. R. Powell, P. Harris

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00 am

Commentator: P.O'Brien

R.1 F. Hanna

R.2 A. Rose

E.M. P. Clingan, K. Rucioch, M. Lloyd, M. Ferguson, V. Salmon

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: M. O'Halloran

R1. Children

R.2 Children

E.M. D. Elliott, L. Elliott, S. Muller, L. Healey, D. Hupatz.



Next Week : 11th & 12th February

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00p.m.

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 R. Walsh

R.2 V. Wyld

E.M. D. McLaughlin, S. Duong

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00 am

Commentator: V. Coffey

R.1 M. Ferguson

R.2 P. O'Brien

E.M. J. Baker, K. Rucioch, I. Reid, M. Cunningham, A. Rose

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: Joe Ryan

R1. Catherine May

R.2 Joy McInnes

E.M. B. Longworth, K. Milne, J. McMahon, M. O'Halloran, T. Siciliano

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 (2nd, 4th, 5th week) 9.00am

Tuesday (1st, 3rd week) 9.45am

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

2nd and 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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it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven.'

BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

Following upon the teaching of the Beatitudes, Jesus uses the now familiar metaphors of salt and light to describe the life of discipleship. We take salt and light for granted in our society, but these commodities were more precious in ancient cultures. Just as now, salt was used in Jesus' time for flavouring, as a preservative, and as a healing agent. Similarly, the widespread use of electricity in the modern world makes us less aware of the value and importance of light in our lives.

Still, our familiarity with this passage from Matthew's Gospel speaks well to the abiding power of the imagery that Jesus presented. Jesus' call to be salt for the earth and light for the world powerfully states our mission as Church and as Christians. Our commitment to social justice flows from the exhortation that Jesus gives us in today's Gospel. Some of the activities that this commitment leads us to are given more concrete expression as the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. When we feed the hungry, clothe the naked, console those who mourn, and so on, we show ourselves to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. When we do these things with the community of faith, the Church, we are indeed acting as "a city set on a mountain" that cannot be hidden!

Loyola Press website

DID YOU KNOW?

- In the ancient world, salt was absolutely essential. It was used not simply to season food or to add to its taste, but as a preservative, enabling food to be stored and kept.
- At the time of Jesus, the main source of oil for lamps was the

olive. A saucer-shaped lamp held the oil and a wick, made of flax or a similar material burned from a small opening on the rim. Such lamps were often placed in a niche in the walls of rooms.

- Lamp oil was a precious commodity. Once lit, a lamp was often placed high to give maximum illumination.
- Ancient cities were often built on hilltops so that they were easily defended against invaders and were visible for many miles around.

SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

The people of Israel often described the Law of God as 'salt' because it gave zest and flavour to life and it preserved them as the people of God. Similarly, the Law was often compared to a light which showed them the path to God. 'Your word is a light to my feet and a lamp to my path' (Psalm 119:105). Jerusalem, the city on the hill, was a focal point and reminder of God's presence. Jesus gives a new focus to all these images when he applies them to those who hear his word and put it into practice. All Christians are called to be 'salt' and 'light', a 'city on the hill' giving witness to God's presence.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(6 - 12 February)

- **Monday, 6:** St Paul Miki and companions (Gen 1:1-19; Mk 6:53-56)
- **Tuesday 7:** Weekday, Ord Time 5 (Gen 1:20-2:4; Mk 7:1-13)
- **Wednesday 8:** Weekday, Ord Time 5 (Gen 2:4-9, 15-17; Mk 7:14-23)
- **Thursday 9:** Weekday, Ord Time 5 (Gen 2:18-25; Mk 7:24-30)
- **Friday 10:** St Scholastica (Gen 3:1-8; Mk 7:31-37)
- **Saturday 11:** Weekday, Ord Time 5 (Gen 3:9-24; Mk 8:1-10)
- **Sunday 12:** SIXTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Sirach 15:15-20; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37)