

Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD - YEAR A

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PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

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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

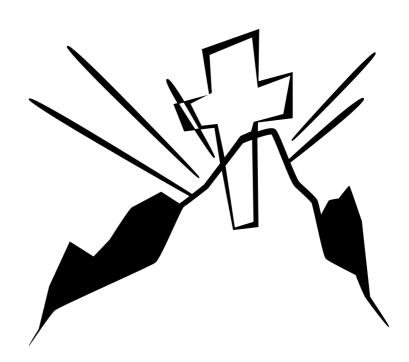
ST JOHN THE APOSTLE

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

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159 Child Safe contacts - Kevin Rucioch (0499 005 714) or Ian Reid (8552 4329)





FIRST READING

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

As I watched:

Thrones were set in place and one of great age took his seat. His robe was white as snow, the hair of his head as pure as wool. His throne was a blaze of flames, its wheels were a burning fire. A stream of fire poured out, issuing from his presence. A thousand thousand waited on him, ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him. A court was held and the books were opened. I gazed into the visions of the night. And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven, one like a son of man. He came to the one of great age and was led into his presence. On him hwas conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship, and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants. His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty which shall never pass away, nor will his empire ever be destroyed.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 96:1-2, 5-6, 9

The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.

SECOND READING

2 Peter 1:16-19

It was not any cleverly invented myths that we were repeating when we brought you the knowledge of the power and the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ: we had seen his majesty for ourselves. He was honoured and glorified by God the Father, when the Sublime Glory itself spoke to him and said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved: he enjoys my favour.' We heard this ourselves, spoken from heaven, when we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have confirmation of what was said in prophecies; and you will be right to depend on prophecy and take it as a lamp for lighting a way through the dark until the dawn comes and the morning star rises in your minds.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 17:5

Alleluia, alleluia! This is my Son, my beloved, in whom is all my delight: listen to him. Alleluia!

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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, Bob Healey,
Duncan Kaye.

ANNIVESARIES

Bryan Constable, Eunice & John Taylor, Father Peter Ward

RECENTLY DECEASED

Claire O'Driscoll, Doris Calleja, Jim McPherson, Anna Schubert, Rhonda Smart, Val McMahon Barbara Lidstone.

PARISH COLLECTION 29th & 30th July

1st (Presbytery) \$858.90 2nd (Parish) \$1,171.80

VICTOR MORNING TEA

August 6th & 13th H. & P. Sampson August 20th & 27th J. & R. Randabel-Williamson

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER August 11th & 18th M. Davis, F. Harris

VICTOR MEET & GREET August Saturdays M. & L. Peake, M. Farmer

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August Sundays H. Sampson, D. Taylor

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

GOOLWA MORNING TEA

August E. De Vries, C. May, D. McMahon, Loudi.

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

K. & A. Fawkner

ST. JOHN'S CHOIR:

Practice Tuesdays 3.00pm . Contact: Athalea 8555 2165



THE HOLY FATHER'S 2017 PRAYER INTENTIONS: AUGUST - ARTISTS

That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

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 information. 0402 341 071.

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

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 9th August after 9.30am Mass at Goolwa. **New members welcome**.

ST. JOAN'S MAINTENANCE GROUP & MORNING TEA

Work begins at 9.30am on Wednesday 9th August followed by morning tea in the Annex. All men welcome.

ST. JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Please be advised that the St. Joan's Social Club AGM will be held on Tuesday 8th

August at 1.30pm in the Annex. All welcome

GOOLWA PASTORAL CARE

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 10th August at 1.30pm.

ST. JOHN'S SOCIAL CLUB will meet after the Pastoral Care Group at 2.00pm. Both the above listed groups are in need of more members. The commitment is very small with just half hour or so meetings every 2 months.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR VOCATIONS

Next weekend at all the Masses in our Parish there will be a special collection for vocations. Through this appeal you will be contributing to the formation & training of Priests & Deacons for service in the Archdiocese.

NEW PPC MEMBERS

Congratulations to Mark Leaney, Paul O'Brien, Rachaela Caiapachi, Ray Klecko, Fran Hanna, Paul Kennelly, Bill Longworth, Mary Davis, Ian Reid, Meredyth Cunningham, who have committed to join our Parish Pastoral Council.

THANK YOU TO PAST MEMBERS

Carol Sutherland, Maire Ryan, Patrine Harris, Margaret Wark, Rick Walsh who completed their time as PPC members. Have a good rest and please join in our other Parish groups.

CARING FOR THE AGEING IN OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

What are the needs of the older members of our parish? How well are we supporting those who've contributed so much to our church? What are the particular challenges to our living of faith at this time of life? How can we grow in our relationship with God as we feel our frailty and uncertainty about the future more intensely?

These questions will be the focus of a meeting on Wednesday 9th August at 2.00pm at St. John's Goolwa. Please come along, whatever your age, to contribute to this discussion.

The Australian Catholic Bishops are asking us to reflect this year on the wider issues of "Social Justice in an Ageing Society", so there will be a brief introduction to how well our society as a whole treats older people.

For further information please contact Anne Fawkner or Carol Sutherland

BARBARA LIDSTONE

Barbara died on Tuesday 1st August. It is with sadness that we acknowledge the loss of our active parishioner. Barbara was involved in our Parish as commentator and teaching RE. Her funeral will be held on Wednesday 9th August at 1.00pm, at St Joan's. Please pray for her and her family.

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK, AUG 5/6

The focus this Sunday is on all vocations within the Church for the sake of God's Kingdom. This Sunday we acknowledge the vocations of all the baptised and explicitly pray for Marriage and Family Life, the Single Life, and the call to Ecclesial Ministry in the Church.

EAST AFRICA APPEAL

A special collection will be taken up this weekend for East Africans who are experiencing serious drought.

Bulletin Board



PSALM FOR THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.

The Lord is King, let earth rejoice, let all the coastlines be glad.
Cloud and darkness are His raiment;
His throne, justice and right. (R.)

The mountains melt like wax before the Lord of all the earth. The skies proclaim His justice; all peoples see His glory. (R.)

For You indeed are the Lord most high above all the earth exalted far above all spirits.. (R.)

The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.



ST LAWRENCE Feast Day 10th August (225 – 258 AD)

Lawrence was chief among the seven deacons who served the Roman Church during the mid-third century. He was arrested under the Emperor



Valerian in 258, laid upon a gridiron and slowly roasted to death.

(Excerpt: Catholic Culture.org)

STATIONS OF CREATION

This Sunday 6th August, prayer and reflection in Onkaparinga River National Park. Meet at 1.45pm at Gate 11, Piggott Range Road, Onkaparinga Hills. (Best to come via Upper Penneys Hill Road from States Road). Reasonable fitness required for uphill and downhill walking. Please wear good walking shoes and come prepared for the weather. Ring 0488 062 112 for further directions.

FRIENDS OF FRANCIS

This Sunday 6th August at 3.00pm in the meeting room at St. Luke's, Honeypot Road, Noarlunga Downs. Catholics working for justice, peace and care of creation in the Fleurieu cluster of parishes. Everyone welcome. For further information, contact Peter Laffan 8556 3915 or at impe@internode.on.net

ST. CLARE Feast Day 11th August (1193 – 1253)

St Clare was the foundress of the Order of nuns "The Poor Clares"

Clare was designated as the patron saint of television in 1958 by Pope Pius XII, because when St. Clare was



very ill, she could not attend Mass and was reportedly able to see and hear it on the wall in her room. She is also the patroness of eye disease, goldsmiths and laundry.

(Excerpt:Catholic online)

ST. MARY OF THE CROSS MacKILLOP Feast Day 8th August (1842 - 1909).

Mary MacKillop imbibed the culture of her forebears as her spirituality evolved in the

soil of our ancient and thirsty land and Celtic-Australian Church. With the influence of Fr. Julian Tenison Woods, Mary further developed a devotional life that involved



Joseph who attracted her because of his humility and obedience; the Sacred Heart to whom she turned when in need of care and shelter and the inspiration and witness of John the Baptist.



The blue monogram captured her devotional life with the Ave Maria and Jesus, Joseph and John the Baptist. Joan Chittister gives us an insight into the strong spirituality that exuded her love of God. She says: "Mary MacKillop

was so possessed by an internal vision of divine goodness that she gives us a glimpse of the face of God in the centre of the human. She gives us the possibility of greatness in ourselves."

It was as though there was always an awareness of the difficulties that lay ahead for Mary when she claimed the title "of the Cross". Mary MacKillop walked in faith and entered into the mystery of the Cross. This utter belief enabled her to deal in an extraordinary way with oppositional people and difficult situations. Her loving heart encompassed the compassion and forgiveness required to live further into the mystery. (Excerpt: Sisters of St Joseph)

MASS ROSTER

This Week: August 5th & 6th

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 M. FarmerR.2 V. Wyld

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

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator: K. Rucioch

R. 1 A. WeygoodR.2 P. Chigwidden

E.M. M. Cunningham, M. Lloyd M. Ferguson, V. Salmon, R. Kuske

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: P. Kennelly

R.1 ChildrenR.2 Children

E.M. J. Ryan, M. Ryan, T. Siciliano,

J. Slagter, A. Turner.



Next Week: August 12th & 13th

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 J. Randabel-Williamson

R.2 B. Bullen

E.M. D. McLaughlin, R. Kuske

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator: E. Temme

R. 1 T. HounslowR.2 P. O'Brien

E.M. P. Clingan, K. Rucioch, I. Reid, R. Reid, J. Baker.

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: R. Lee

R.1 Marie RiddleR.2 Michael Riddle

E.M. D. West, C. Williams, P. Burns,

D. Elliott, L. Elliott.

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 Honeypot Rd and Goldsmith Dve
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am

1st, 3rd Sundays 11am (Spanish Mass)
2nd Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass)
Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm
Monday 9.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Tuesday 1st week 9.00am and 9.45am
(later Mass followed by Tuesday Chats)
Wednesday 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

 2^{nd} , 4^{th} 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 (Continued from page 1)

GOSPEL

Matthew 17:1-9

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone.

There in their presence he was transfigured: His face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said, 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish I will make three tents here. one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order, 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.

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EXPLORING THE WORD

In the Hebrew Scriptures high mountains were seen as holy places; places where one could encounter God. It was on the summit of Mt Sinai that Moses received the Law from God's own hand (Ex 19); it was on Mt Horeb that Elijah encountered God in the gentle breeze (1 Kings 19:9). When Jesus takes the three disciples to the top of the mountain, it should come as no surprise that they encounter the glorified divinity of Christ. In Christ, both the Law, represented by Moses, and the Prophets, represented by Elijah, is fulfilled. This fleeting moment of revelation to the disciples leaves them gasping and speechless. Peter wants to retain the memory of this glimpse of the glorified Christ by commemorating it with three tents but the gesture has a hollow ring when they have the Christ with

them as a constant reminder. 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' It is the word of Jesus which will bring life and glorification. This glimpse of who Jesus really is should sustain them and yet the disciples still wonder what the mission and ministry of Jesus means. The true nature of Jesus will only be revealed at his resurrection.

DID YOU KNOW?

- The event of the Transfiguration is traditionally associated with Mt Tabor where a beautiful church with magnificent mosaics commemorates this event.
- The three disciples who witness Jesus' glory will be the same ones who witness his agony in the garden prior to his arrest and crucifixion.
- There is great debate among scholars about the meaning of the term 'Son of Man' and whether Jesus used this title of himself or whether his disciples used it of him after his death. In the Book of Daniel, it is used as a term for God's final agent of salvation at the end times.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS (7 - 13 August)

- *Monday, 7:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 18 (Num 11:4-15; Mt 14:13-21)
- *Tuesday, 8:* St Mary of the Cross MacKillop (1Kg 17:8-16; Col 3:12-17; Mt 6:25-34)
- *Wednesday, 9:* Weekday, Ord Time 18 (Num 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26-29, 34-35; Mt 15:21-28)
- *Thursday, 10:* St Lawrence (2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26)
- *Friday, 11:* St Clare (Deut 4:32-40; Mt 16:24-28)
- *Saturday, 12:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 18 (Deut 6:4-13; Mt 17:14-20)
- *Sunday 13:* 19th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (1Kg 19:9, 11-13; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33)