



Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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



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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



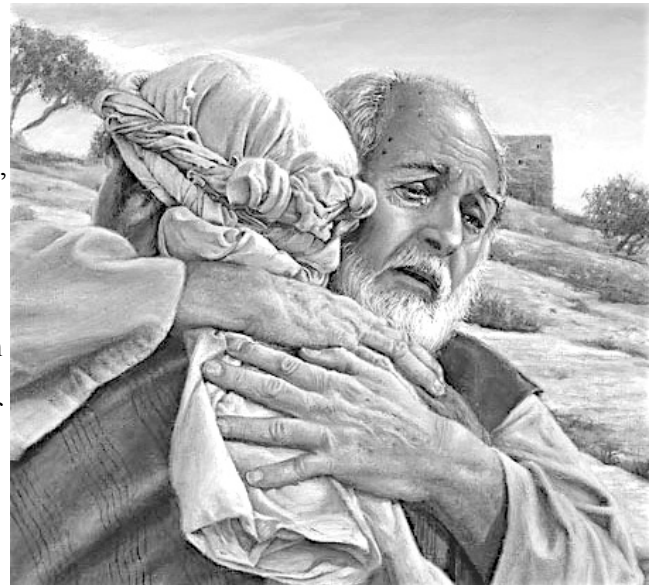
**Jubilee Year
of Mercy
2015/16**

FIRST READING

Joshua 5:9-12

The Lord said to Joshua, 'Today I have taken the shame of Egypt away from you.'

The Israelites pitched their camp at Gilgal and kept the Passover there on the fourteenth day of the month, at evening in the plain of Jericho. On the morrow of the Passover they tasted the produce of that country, unleavened bread and roasted ears of corn, that same day. From that time, from their first eating of the produce of that country, the manna stopped falling. And having manna no longer, the Israelites fed from that year onwards on what the land of Canaan yielded.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

For anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here. It is all God's work. It was God who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the work of handing on this reconciliation. In other words, God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, not holding men's faults against them, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. So we are ambassadors for Christ; it is as though God were appealing through us, and the appeal that we make in Christ's name is: be reconciled to God. For our sake God made the sinless one into sin, so that in him we might become the goodness of God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

I will rise and go to my father and tell him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs.

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SPECIAL INTENTIONS

John Hassick, Julie Bradley,
Barbara Bond, Tony Sheehan,
Vicki Sullivan, Mark Kelly, Simon
Slagter, Father John Langtry,
Vicki Morelli, Paul Cullen,
Frank Refchange, Gail Menner,
Pat Proctor

ANNIVERSARIES

June Molan, Tim & Kath Kennelly,
Wally West

RECENTLY DECEASED

Diana Herreen, Jackie Moon,



Bulletin Board

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Victor Harbor :

Holy Thursday 24th March 8pm
Good Friday 25th March 2pm
Holy Saturday 26th March 8pm
Easter Sunday 27th March 11am

Goolwa:

Holy Thursday 24th March 6pm
Good Friday 25th March 4pm
Holy Saturday 26th March 6pm
Easter Sunday 27th March 9am



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Goolwa: Friday 3pm

Victor Harbor: Friday 4.30pm

RECONCILIATION AT GOOLWA

The second form of Reconciliation will be held at Goolwa on Tuesday 15th March at 7pm.

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.

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 2016. Anyone is welcome. Please contact Anne Weygood for details 0429 653 844.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

Next meeting will be held on Thursday 17th March at Victor Harbor after the 9.00am Mass.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB V.H./GOOLWA

Next gathering will be on Tuesday 15th March, 2pm - 4pm in the Annex.

ST. JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB

Next meeting will be on Tuesday 8th March at 1.30pm in the Annex. All welcome

PORT ELLIOT CEMETERY

Father Charles wishes to form a small working group to maintain this cemetery. Please contact Anne Fawcner: 8552 6074

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

UPDATE:

The PPC hosted a visit from Deacon Tim Grauel and Jill Gallio of the Diocesan Renewal Task Force, who made a presentation and invited discussion on what the Task Force perceives as eight characteristics of renewal in a parish. The goal is that parishes would look at ways to make these characteristics a priority in the life of the parish. How this is done is individual to each parish. Through our discussion it became apparent that we already have the beginnings of a lot of these characteristics but there is a lot more we can do to build on what we are currently doing.

One of the tasks of the PPC over the next few months is to go through all the characteristics and look for ways to further build them in our parish life. As part of this we will be speaking to many of the different teams at work in the parish to enable their input.

The document setting out these characteristics is available in the church porches for those who would like to view them. Please take a copy of the document and if you would like to be involved, or have suggestions to make, please see a PPC member.

Carol Sutherland PPC Chair person

READERS AND MINISTERS REQUIRED AT ST. JOAN'S FOR EASTER SERVICES

Volunteers are required for the above. Rosters are in the porch. Please insert your name if you are available, or if preferred please contact Mary Ferguson or Kevin Rucioch.

STATIONAL MASS

The Stational Mass at St. Joan's last Friday night was a wonderful experience. The Archbishop was assisted by eleven priests and two deacons. Parishioners from other parishes in the deanery were in attendance and they presented for blessing, the catechumens who wish to be received into the Catholic Church.

Also twenty or more locals who have lost family or friends recently were brought to the altar for blessing by the Archbishop.

The light supper was enjoyed by all, with many photos taken. It was a privilege to be present at this special event.

PARISH COLLECTION

27th & 28th February

1st (Presbytery) \$1,282.10
2nd (Parish) \$1,252.00

VICTOR MORNING TEA ROSTER

March 6th & 13th

H. & P. Sampson

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

March 11th - 18th

M. Farmer, C. Pearsons

VICTOR MEET & GREET

March Saturdays

L. & M. Peake

March Sundays

J. Baker, F. Harris

ST. JOAN'S CHOIR

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

GOOLWA MORNING TEA ROSTER

March

M. Freeborn, A. Fawcner, L. Elliot,
S. Tomlinson

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

March

C. & J. Slagter

ST. JOHN'S SINGING GROUP

Practices are held in the Church every Tuesday at 3.00pm.



PROJECT COMPASSION 4th Sunday of Lent

Evangeline's story - Australia **Creating new connections to traditional culture**



When Evangeline left high school she had a limited vision for her future. But the training she's received while working at the Djilpin Arts Ghunmarn Culture Centre,

supported by Caritas Australia, has helped her develop new skills and ignited her passion for the maintenance and preservation of her Aboriginal culture.

Now a Senior Artsworkeer, Evangeline is committed to helping her community stay connected to its culture. "Culture is our identity and how we understand ourselves," she explains. "It's important for us young people to be able to learn these skills and then we can pass them on when we are old."

"This opportunity has helped me turn my life into something more positive."

GOOLWA INTERCHURCH GROUP

Another successful meeting was held and very well chaired by Bill Longworth.

Items discussed:

- * overview of the Christmas Pageant 2015
- * closure of the Christian Book Shop
- * Christian presence in our local school by a group called Christian Options
- * report from South Coast Community Care
- * the South Coast School Ministry and support for children to receive breakfast;
- * the current situation of School Chaplains in the area
- * World Day of Prayer;
- * the organising of another Interchurch Service
- * preparations for the early Easter Sunday Service at the Aquatic Club.

LISTENING TO SCRIPTURE READINGS

A special thank you to our readers. Most of whom prepare by reading it at home. They proclaim it very well at Church. You are encouraged to listen while scriptural readings are read at Church .

LENT 2016

The three traditional pillars of Lenten observance **are prayer, fasting and almsgiving**

Prayer: More time given to prayer during Lent should draw us closer to the Lord. We might pray especially for the grace to live out our baptismal promises more fully.

Fasting can help us realize the suffering that so many people in our world experience every day, and it should lead us to greater efforts to alleviate that suffering.

Almsgiving is a sign of our care for those in need and an expression of our gratitude for all that God has given to us. *(Excerpted from Catholic online)*

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

Work starts at 9.30am on Wednesday 9th March. Morning tea at 10.30am in the annex for all men of the parish.



PSALM 4th SUNDAY OF LENT

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord

I will bless the Lord at all times,
His praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad.

Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us praise His name.
I sought the Lord and He answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free.

Look towards Him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called; the Lord heard him
and rescued him from all his distress.

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord

MASS ROSTER

This Week: 5th & 6th March

VICTOR HARBOR 6pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 F. Hanna

R.2 M. Farmer

E.M. M. Lloyd, P. Harris

VICTOR HARBOR 11am

Commentator: K. Howard

R.1 P. O'Brien

R.2 W. Baker

E.M. K. Rucioch, M. Von Holst, I. Reid, R. Reid, P. Clingan .

GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: J. McInnes

R.1 Children

R2 Children

E.M. P. Burns, D. Elliott, L. Elliott, L. Healey, K. Milne



Next Week: 12th & 13th March

VICTOR HARBOR 6pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 F. Hanna

R.2 C. Sutherland

E.M. J. Bradley

VICTOR HARBOR 11am

Commentator: M. Ferguson

R.1 K. Rucioch

R.2 A. Rose

E.M. K. Rucioch, R. Reid, R. Kuske, J. Baker, A. Weygood.

GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: P. Burns

R.1 K. Fawcner

R2 A. Fawcner

E.M. C. May, S. Muller, T. Siciliano, M. Meade, M. Glazewski



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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And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father.

'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But, for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property – he and his women – you kill the calf we had been fattening."

'The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it was only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found."

MISERICORDIAE VULTUS – THE FACE OF MERCY

Judge not and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive and your will be forgiven; give and it will be given you, in good measure, pressed down shaken together, running over into your lap. For the measure you give will be the measure you get back. Luke 6:37

LAETARE SUNDAY

The Fourth Sunday of Lent is traditionally called Laetare Sunday. Laetare is a Latin word that means "rejoice." Today's Gospel describes the reason for our joy: God's great love for us has been revealed in Jesus. Through his Passion, Death, and Resurrection, Christ has reconciled us with God and one another.

EXPLORING THE WORD

The religious leaders at the time of Jesus felt that there was no place for sinners in God's kingdom. This parable shows that there is always hope and a promise of forgiveness for those who repent and turn again to God and that God never tires of seeking the lost. The father allows his youngest son the freedom to choose his way and make his own mistakes but keeps open the door of welcome at his return. This son, through his journey, comes to realise that his fulfilment lies with his father and returns. At this point the elder son changes places with the younger and becomes the one who is alienated and outside the feast. The reaction of the father is consistent - he goes outside to meet his elder son, now the lost one, to tell him, "All I have is yours". Reward is for both the righteous and the repentant sinner.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(7 March - 13 March)

- **Monday, 7:** Monday, 4th week Lent (Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54)
- **Tuesday, 8:** Tues, 4th week Lent (Ezek 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-3, 5-16)
- **Wednesday, 9:** Wed, 4th week Lent (Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30)
- **Thursday, 10:** Thursday, 4th week Lent (Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47)
- **Friday, 11:** Friday, 4th week Lent (Wis 2:1, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30)
- **Saturday, 12:** Saturday, 4th week Lent (Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-52)
- **Sunday, 13:** 5th Sunday Lent (Is 43:16-21; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11)