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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD - 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 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

Psalms 71:1-2, 7-8, 10-13

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

Mt 2:2

Alleluia, alleluia!

We have seen his star in the East; and have come to adore the Lord.

Alleluia!

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Bulletin Board

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.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Margaret Milte, Patricia Rodgers,
John Wallace, Michael Eckert.

ANNIVERSARIES

Rod & Laurel McNamara,
Peter Kennelly

PARISH COLLECTION

31st December & 1st January

1st (Presbytery) \$1644.00
2nd (Parish) \$1814.00

VICTOR MORNING TEA ROSTER

January 8th

A & E Temme

January 15th & 22nd

L. Sunman & P Chigwidden

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

January 13th & 20th

G. Woodhead, H. Sampson

January 27th & February 3rd

W & J Baker & T Lewis

VICTOR MEET & GREET

January Saturdays

L. & M. Peake

January Sundays

D. Taylor & A. Wright

ST. JOAN'S CHOIR

Practice time is 10.30 am each
Friday in the Church.

GOOLWA MORNING TEA ROSTER

January

D. Lee, Anke, G. Seah

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

January

A. Turner, D. Jurgens

ST. JOHN'S CHOIR

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

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2017 PRAYER

INTENTIONS: January

Christian Unity. That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching, by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.

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.

DOMINICAN OLD SCHOLARS ASSOCIATION INC

All Dominican Old scholars and their families are cordially invited to attend the Annual Garden Party to be held at Sophia on Sunday 15th January 2017 at 2.00pm



A brief meeting at 2.00pm will be followed by Afternoon Tea giving Old Scholars an opportunity to renew friendships and catch up with many of the Sisters.

A Trading Table will be held and all donations will be much appreciated.

Further details contact Antoinette Lindquist 8276 9380.

HELP REQUIRED WITH IPOD SERVICE

The Parish invites everyone to consider helping the iPod team with the challenge and privilege of serving our community with music at Vigil Masses. If you have the skills to use a smart phone or iphone, training will be provided. Those interested please phone Carol on 0418 856 199.

MASS ROSTER

A new roster will be drawn up until the Easter period. If you are not available please call Mary Ferguson on 8552 5747.

KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS LOCAL HISTORY

The long awaited launch of the Knights' History on the South Coast was held after the 9am Mass at Goolwa last Sunday. This is a splendid book about all who have contributed to the branch, its activities, and the priests of the parish in the 28 year history of K S C on the South Coast. Full credit to Mike O'Halloran, Robert Lee and Frank Refchange for the amount of time and effort they have put into the production, as well as Ros Rowett who took care of the lay out and printing. Copies are available for \$15 each.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY CHRISTMAS LUNCH.

The Victor Harbor/Goolwa Conference, with the generous support of the Goolwa Catholic Community and the Goolwa Anglican Community hosted a lunch on Christmas Day in the Anglican Church Hall. The lunch was an outstanding success.

The guest list was restricted to residents of the Alexandrina Council as a result of a condition imposed by the Council. Guests included people who became known to the Society as a result of them living on the margins and people who otherwise would have been on their own on Christmas Day. A small group of members and volunteers who live in the area were responsible for the preparation and serving of the three courses, setting up of the hall and the cleaning up afterwards.

We received a number of offers of assistance on the day. Due to the size of the hall, unfortunately we could not accept help from everyone. The offers reflected the spirit of goodwill that exists within the communities of Victor Harbor and Goolwa.

The support of members and friends of the Society is warmly acknowledged and greatly appreciated. David Wark (Snr) President.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Would you like to update your knowledge of the Sacrament of Reconciliation? The booklet "The Sacrament of Reconciliation" is available at the information desk in the rear of the Church.

THURSDAY MASS AT VICTOR HARBOR

There will be no 9.00am Mass on this Thursday. Instead the funeral Mass for Patricia Rodgers will be held at 10.00am. All are invited.



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 when they are helpless.

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



Lord, every nation on earth will adore You..

The New Year brings with it a fresh start,
new opportunities and an exhilarating sense
of rejuvenation. We often make New Year's
resolutions in an attempt to improve
ourselves and to be better towards others.
Expressing our love, gratitude, respect and
appreciation to others on this day and send-
ing them wishes for New Year is a great
way to share in this spirit of renewal with
our friends, family and co-workers.

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Feast Day 9th January.

At the baptism of Christ in the River Jordan
God appeared in three persons.

Many of the incidents which accompanied
Christ's baptism are symbolical of what hap-
pened at our Baptism. At Christ's baptism
the Holy Spirit descended upon Him; at our
Baptism the Trinity took its abode in our
soul. At His baptism Christ was proclaimed
the "Beloved Son" of the Father; at our Bap-
tism we become the adopted sons of God.
At Christ's baptism the heavens were

opened to us.

(Excerpt: Right Rev. Msgr. Rudolph G. Bandas)

POPE FRANCIS : JANUARY 2017 - *Nonviolence: a Style of Politics for Peace*

At the beginning of this New Year, I offer
heartfelt wishes of peace to the world's
peoples and nations, to heads of state and
government, and to religious, civic and
community leaders. I wish peace to every
man, woman and child, and I pray that the
image and likeness of God in each person
will enable us to acknowledge one another
as sacred gifts endowed with immense dig-
nity. Especially in situations of conflict, let
us respect this, our "deepest dignity", and
make active nonviolence our way of life.
"All of us want peace. Many people build it
day by day through small gestures and
acts; many of them are suffering, yet pa-
tiently persevere in their efforts to be
peacemakers" In 2017, may we dedicate
ourselves prayerfully and actively to banish-
ing violence from our hearts, words and
deeds, and to becoming nonviolent people
and to building nonviolent communities that
care for our common home. "Nothing is
impossible if we turn to God in prayer.

Everyone can be an
artisan of peace".

(<https://w2.vatican.va/>)

A CHRISTIAN RE- FLECTION ON TIME

The end of the year is
usually a reflective time; a time for taking
stock of what we are doing with the time
allotted to us

We are invited in this 2017 New Year to live
as though time really does matter. We are
invited by grace to give ourselves away for
others; to imitate the One who gave Himself
for the entire human race. We are invited to
pour ourselves out as Jesus did.

If we live life this way, when we face Him on
that final day, we will do so with our arms
full of gifts borne over time. These gifts will
have paved the way for eternity. (C.O.)

WHO WERE THE WISE MEN?

The tradition of the Three Magi, or the
Three Wise Men, remembers the men who
followed a directive from the Holy Spirit to
go pay homage to the Redeemer.
It is not actually known how many Magi
visited the Christ Child, but general tradition



This Week : 7th & 8th January

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00p.m.

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 M. Farmer

R.2 V. Wyld

E.M. B. Munday, P. Harris

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00 am

Commentator: K. Rucioch

R.1 P. Chigwidden

R.2 A. Rose

E.M. M. Cunningham, M. Ferguson,
M. Lloyd, J. Baker, S. Duong

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: D. Huppatz

R1. L. Longworth

R.2 B. Longworth

E.M. A. Fawcner, C. May,
K. Fawcner, S. Muller, L. Healey



Next Week : 14th & 15th January

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00p.m.

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 J. Randabel-Williamson

R.2 B. Bullen

E.M. S. Duong, E. O'Shaughnessy

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00 am

Commentator: V. Coffey

R.1 R. Reid

R.2 P.O'Brien

E.M. A. Rose, P. Clingan, K. Rucioch,
M. Lloyd, I. Reid

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: P. Kennelly

R1. C. May

R.2 J. McInnes

E.M. B. Longworth, J. Slagter,
K. Milne, M. O'Halloran, J. McMahon,

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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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. '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.

BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

The visit of the Magi occurs directly before the story of the Holy Family's flight into Egypt. Matthew's Gospel tells a version of Jesus' birth that is different than the one in Luke. Of the actual birth of Jesus, Matthew tells us little more than, "When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in

the days of King Herod . . ." The story of the census is found only in Luke's Gospel, but we hear about the visit of the Magi only in Matthew's Gospel.

We know little about the Magi. They come from the East and journey to Bethlehem, following an astrological sign, so we believe them to be astrologers. We assume that there were three Magi based upon the naming of their three gifts. The Gospel does not say how many Magi paid homage to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, they represent the Gentiles' search for a saviour. Because the Magi represent the entire world, they also represent our search for Jesus.

We have come to consider the gifts they bring as a foreshadowing of Jesus' role in salvation. We believe the meaning of the gifts to be Christological. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus' kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus' death.

The word Epiphany means "manifestation" or "showing forth." Historically several moments in Christ's early life and ministry have been celebrated as "epiphanies," including his birth in Bethlehem, the visit of the Magi, his baptism by John, and his first miracle at Cana.

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(9 - 15 January)

- **Monday, 9:** Baptism of the Lord (Heb 2:5-12; Mk 1:21-28)
- **Tuesday 10:** Weekday Ord Time 1 (Heb 2:5-12; Mk 1:21-28)
- **Wednesday 11:** Weekday Ord Time 1 (Heb 2:14-18; Mk 1:29-39)
- **Thursday 12:** Weekday Ord Time 1 (Heb 3:7-14; Mk 1:40-45)
- **Friday 13:** Weekday Ord Time 1 (Heb 4:1-5, 11; Mk 2:1-12)
- **Saturday 14:** Weekday Ord Time 1 (Heb 4:12-16; Mk 2:13-17)
- **Sunday 15:** 2nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Is 49:3, 5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34)