



# Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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



**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD - YEAR C**

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## **PARISH TEAM CONTACTS**

### **PRIEST ADMINISTRATOR**

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### **PRIEST**

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### **PARISH MANAGER**

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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](mailto: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

(1<sup>st</sup> 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**

### **Acts 1:1-11**

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom of Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.*

## **SECOND READING**

### **Ephesians 1:17-23**

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every

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## Bulletin Board

### SPECIAL INTENTIONS

John Hassick, Julie Bradley,  
Barbara Bond, Tony Sheehan,  
Mark Kelly, Simon Slagter, Father  
John Langtry, Paul Cullen, Frank  
Refchange, Gail Menner,  
Pat Proctor, Reilly Smith,  
Kevin Walz

### ANNIVERSARIES

Kathleen Joras-Lafsky,  
Mary Powell, Katie Fergusson

### PARISH COLLECTION

#### 30th April - 1st May

1st (Presbytery) \$1,148.70  
2nd (Parish) \$1,492.50

### VICTOR MORNING TEA ROSTER

(No Morning tea Mother's Day )  
May 15th & 22nd  
A & E. Temme

**VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER**  
May 6th-13th  
G. Woodhead, H. Sampson

#### May 20th—27th

W & J Baker, V. Wyld

### VICTOR MEET & GREET

**May Saturdays** L. & M. Peake,  
**May Sundays** L. & M. Fracek

### ST. JOAN'S CHOIR

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

### PRAYING THE ROSARY

The Rosary is prayed 30 minutes  
before each Mass

### GOOLWA MORNING TEA ROSTER

**May** D. Lee, I. Van Der Kamp,  
Anke, G. Johns, G. Seah

### GOOLWA MEET & GREET

**May**  
P. Kennelly, B. Longworth

### ST. JOHN'S SINGING GROUP

Practices are held in the Church  
every Tuesday at 3.30pm.

### WEST PARK NURSING HOME

On Wednesday 11th May after 9.30am  
Mass a group will visit the home.  
All welcome to come.

### GOOLWA INTER-CHURCH MEETING

The next meeting will be on Wednesday  
11th May at 7.30pm at St. John's Catholic  
Church.

### 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

The next meeting will be on Thursday 12th  
May at Victor Harbor after 9.00am Mass.

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

Work starts at 9.30am on Wednesday 11th  
May. Morning tea at 10.30am in the annex  
for all men of the parish.

### GOOLWA CHRISTIAN BOOKSHOP: CLOSING DOWN SALE

A reminder that the Christian Bookshop in  
Goolwa will be closing on 17th June.

### GOD'S NOT DEAD 2

This movie is now showing at Event  
Cinema, Marion & at Wallis Cinema, Mount  
Barker. It is compelling viewing for all  
thinking Christians.

**ENVELOPE NO. 43 Could the contribu-  
tors to envelope No. 43 please contact  
Margaret Meade 0487 835 977**

### ST. JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB

Next meeting will on Tuesday 10th May at  
1.30pm in the Annex. All welcome

### ST. JOAN'S FEAST DAY LUNCH

Sunday 29th May after Mass for all  
Parishioners. **WATCH THIS SPACE**

### ST. JOAN'S FISH & CHIPS NIGHT

St. Joan's Social Club held their latest "Fish &  
Chips" night last Friday in the Annex. The din-  
ner was well attended with 45 people enjoying  
the camaraderie of old and new friends. Father  
Charles & Father Vinh enjoyed the night despite  
Father Vinh having had a serious tooth removal  
on the day.

Thank you to all who helped in any way, espe-  
cially Pat Clingan who organised the delicious  
fish & chips. It was so good to sit back, relax  
and enjoy the atmosphere. Two new parishion-  
ers spoke very highly of the friendship in our  
parish.

On a practical note: If you have booked and are  
not able to attend, please notify the convenors,  
so this can be taken into account, as of course  
pre-ordered meals have to be paid for.



### VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

The annual winter appeal will be held on Satur-  
day 7th May and Sunday 8th May

### WORLD YOUTH DAY MASS

Archbishop Wilson will celebrate a Mass for  
youth at Cardijn College oval, Noarlunga, on  
Thursday 19th May at 10.00am. There will be  
approximately 3,000 students in attendance and  
anyone is invited to attend by first registering  
their interest. This can be done by contacting  
the Parish office, 8552 1084. All names will then  
be forwarded to the organisers to allow entry.

### PPC COUNCIL UPDATE.

At our April meeting the PPC and members of  
the liturgy committee reflected on the second  
characteristic of parish renewal. ***Eucharistic  
liturgies are prayerful and fully participative.***  
We also invite you to reflect on this, pray about  
it and share any thoughts you have with Father  
Vinh, Father Charles or a PPC member

### PROJECT COMPASSION/CARITAS

Receipts are available from the table at the  
back of each Church, for those who requested  
them. Margaret Meade

### FILIPINO CHOIR

Will be singing at 6pm Mass  
at St. Joan's on Saturday 4th  
June. All Welcome.  
Please bring a plate to share  
and join them for refresh-  
ments in the annex after  
Mass.





## May, the Month of Mary

### MARY IS OUR MOTHER.



While she is not our Mother in the physical sense, she is called a spiritual mother, for she conceives, gives birth, and nurtures the spiritual lives of grace for each person. As Medi-

atrix of All Graces, she is ever present at the side of each person, giving nourishment and hope, from the moment of spiritual birth at Baptism to the moment of death. Pope Pius IX wrote: "God has committed to Mary the treasury of all good things, in order that everyone may know that through her is obtained every hope, every grace, and all salvation."

### PSALM FOR THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

**God mounts His throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

All peoples, clap your hands,  
cry to God with shouts of joy!  
For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear,  
great King over all the earth.

God goes up with shouts of joy;  
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.  
Sing praise for God, sing praise,  
sing praise to our King, sing praise.

God is King of all the earth.  
Sing praise with all your skill.  
God is King over the nations;  
God reigns on His holy throne.

**God mounts His throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

### HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY TO ALL MOTHERS

Whether you are a past, present or soon to be Mum, May God bless your day with love, joy and laughter.

*God could not be everywhere, and therefore he made mothers.*

*Rudyard Kipling)*

*If evolution really works, how come mothers only have two hands? (Milton Berle)*

### OUR LADY OF FATIMA

**Feast Day 13th May**

The Blessed Virgin Mary is venerated under this title following apparitions to three shepherd children — Lucia, Jacinta and Francisco — in Portugal in 1917. The message of Fatima includes a call to conversion of heart, repentance from sin and a dedication to the Blessed Virgin Mary, especially through praying the Rosary.



### THE BEATITUDES OF MOTHERHOOD

*Blessed is the mother who understands her children, for she shall inherit a kingdom of memories.*

*Blessed is the mother who knows how to comfort for she shall possess the children's devotion.*

*Blessed is the mother who guides by the path of righteousness, for she shall be proud of her offspring.*

*Blessed is the mother who is never shocked for she shall receive confidence.*

*Blessed is the mother who teaches respect, for she shall be respected.*

*Blessed is the mother who emphasises the good and minimises the bad, for in like manner her children themselves make evaluations.*

*Blessed is the mother who treats her children as she would like to be treated, for her home shall be filled with happiness.*

*Blessed is the mother who has character strong enough to withstand the inconsiderate remarks and resentments of the growing child for again, in due time, she shall be honoured.*



### This Week : 7th & 8th May

**VICTOR HARBOR 6pm**

**Commentator:** E. O'Shaughnessy

**R.1** J. Randabel-Williamson

**R.2** C. Sutherland

**E.M.** B. Munday, P. Harris

**VICTOR HARBOR 11am**

**Commentator:** K. Rucioch

**R.1** R. Reid

**R.2** A. Williss

**E.M.** A. Rose, I. Reid, M. Ferguson, A. Weygood, J. Baker

**GOOLWA 9.00am**

**Commentator:** P. Kennelly

**R.1** P. Burns

**R.2** K. Fawkner

**E.M.** J. McMahon, S. Muller, K. Milne, M. O'Halloran, L. Healey



### Next Week : 14th & 15th May

**VICTOR HARBOR 6pm**

**Commentator:** J. Ryan

**R.1** F. Hanna

**R.2** J. Randabel-Williamson

**E.M.** P. Harris, M. Lloyd

**VICTOR HARBOR 11am**

**Commentator:** E. Temme

**R.1** A. Rose

**R.2** M. Ferguson

**E.M.** P. Clingan, P. O'Brien, M. Cunningham, I. Reid, R. Reid

**GOOLWA 9.00am**

**Commentator:** A. Fawkner

**R.1** K. Fawkner

**R.2** L. Healey

**E.M.** T. Siciliano, A. Turner, C. Williams, J. Slagter, D. West

## 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

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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Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named not only in this age but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Go and teach all people my gospel.*

*I am with you always, until the end of the world.*

*Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

**Luke 24:46-53**

Jesus said to his disciples, 'You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.

'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high.'

Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.

## PARISH – A HOUSE OF WELCOME TO ALL

The parish is the Church placed in the neighbourhoods of humanity. Often the social context, especially in certain countries, is violently shaken by elements of disintegration and de-humanization. The individual is lost and disoriented, but there always remains in the human heart the desire to experience and cultivate caring and personal relationships. The response to such a desire can come from the parish, when, with the lay faithful's participation, it adheres to its fundamental vocation and mission, that is, to be a "place" in the world for the community of

believers to gather together as a "sign" and "instrument" of the vocation of all to communion, in a word, to be a house of welcome to all and a place of service to all, or, as Pope John XXIII was fond of saying, to be the "village fountain" to which all would have recourse in their thirst.

*Extract from Christifideles Laici,  
Pope John Paul II, 1988*

## EXPLORING THE WORD

The reaction of the disciples to the absence of Jesus after the Ascension is in stark contrast to the reaction they had of him leaving at his death. After his death on the cross, they closed themselves into the upper room in fear. Now they worship him and go joyfully rejoicing to the temple. Clearly now they do not lose the sense of his presence with them. Something has changed. His return to God opens the way to glory for all who believe and this is the source of their joy. He is beyond their sight but truly with them and he has repeated again his promise to send the help they will need to undertake their mission into the world. These final verses of Luke's Gospel introduce what will become the story of his second volume, the Acts of the Apostles; 'repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem'. Acts tells the story of the gospel being taken out to all the nations, a story that continues today.

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(09 - 15 May)

- Monday, 9: Monday - 7th week of Easter (Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33)
- Tuesday, 10: Tuesday - 7th week of Easter (Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11)
- Wednesday, 11: Wednesday - 7th week of Easter (Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11-19)
- Thursday, 12: Thursday - 7th week of Easter (Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26)
- Friday, 13: Friday - 7th week of Easter (Acts 25:13-21; Jn 21:15-19)
- Saturday, 14: St Matthias (Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17)
- Sunday 15: PENTECOST SUNDAY (Acts 2:1-11; Rom 8:8-17; Jn 14:15-16, 23-26)