Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

PARISH PRIEST Fr Charles Gauci (involved in another ministry in 2017)

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

Fr Vinh Tran (phone 8552 1084 - in emergency - mob 0429 098 802)

PARISH MANAGER Mr Kevin Rucioch (mob 0499 005 714)

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Please forward items for the newsletter to the Parish Office - ph 8552 1084, fax 8552 3439 or <u>catholicvhg@bigpond.com</u>) (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

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





FIRST READING Ezekiel 33:7-9

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin. but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 94:1-2. 6-9 O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

SECOND READING

Romans 13:8-10 Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is

the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 2 Cor 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia! God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good news of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with vou: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven: whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Julie Bradley, Barbara Bond, Father John Langtry, Rosemary Powell, 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, Jennifer Luistro, Helen Haylock, John Wallace

ANNIVERSARIES

Zofia Golansky, May and Dick Dennehy, Geoff Oates, Peg Page, Simon Slagter

RECENTLY DECEASED

David Farmer, Jack Irvine, Thomas Cronin.

PARISH COLLECTION 2nd & 3rd September

1st (Presbytery) 2nd (Parish) \$904.00 \$1251.10

VICTOR MORNING TEA

ROSTER September 10th R. & I. Reid September 17th & 24th M. Cunningham, A. Wright

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER September 15th M. Farmer & C. Pearsons September 22nd & 29th P. Mezzino & E. O'Shaughnessy

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

September Sundays M. Fracek & F. Harris

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

GOOLWA MORNING TEA ROSTER September D. Lee, Anke, G. Seah,

GOOLWA MEET & GREET September S. Burns & D. West

ST. JOHN'S CHOIR: Practice Tuesdays 3.00pm . Contact: Athalea 8555 2165



THE HOLY FATHER'S 2017 PRAYER INTENTIONS: SEPTEMBER - PARISHES

That our parishes animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

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 JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB

Next meeting Tuesday September 12th at 1.30 pm in the Annex. All welcome.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Next meeting September 13th at Goolwa after the 9.30 am Mass. New members welcome.

ST JOAN'S MAINTENANCE GROUP & MORNING TEA

Work begins at 9.30 am on Wednesday September 13th followed by morning tea in the Annex. All men welcome.

KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS

The AGM will be held on Thursday, September 14th at 4.00 pm at St. John's Goolwa. Thank you all for supporting the wine raffle. The lucky winner is Bill Longworth. The next raffle will be at Christmas.

READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Mary Ferguson is preparing a new roster from October till 16th December. If you are unavailable please let Mary know asap.

KSC 45 CLUB

The first draw of the next series is on



17th September and names are being taken now. Please see Robert Lee or lan Reid to be in it. Your generosity helps several needy recipients.

DATE SAVERS

KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS

September 21st at Middleton Tavern 12noon for 12.30pm. Tickets are \$25.00 each. Guest speaker is Brian Ferrari. Bookings Kevin Rucioch or John Baker at Victor or Paul Kennelly and Robert Lee at Goolwa. Phone bookings to Paul Kennelly on 0402 852 825.

ST JOHN'S SOCIAL CLUB ANNUAL QUIZ

Sunday 8th October at 2 p.m. at St John's Goolwa. Bookings with Anne Fawkner 8552 6074 or 0435 085 040. COST \$10.00 per person, includes raffle tickets.

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCH

Tuesday 7th November 12 noon for 12.30 start at St. John's Goolwa. Cost is \$25.00 for

2 course lunch and raffle tickets. We shall be having " Fashions in the Field" more details to follow. You can book a table or individual seats, please call Anne Fawkner on 8552 6074 or 0435 085 040.

BIENNIAL RCIA IN SA STATE CONFERENCE

The Biennial RCIA in SA State Conference will be at Mt Lofty House 6-8 October 2017. The theme is *Take Heart: New Evangelisation*. Contact Lyn at the Office for Worship on 8152 7806 or <u>Ihowland@ow.adelaide.catholic.org.au</u> Registrations close 13th September.

RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE

25 Sept - 30 Oct



You don't need any special qualifications. All you need is the desire to open yourself to God and the generosity to take some practical steps to find time for

prayer. Where you are now is where God is waiting for you.

Brochure and application form at the back of the church. For more details speak to Fran Hanna (0415 124 010) or Bill Longworth (8555 5174).

THANK YOU

I wish to thank all the parishioners who phoned and spoke to me with well wishes about my recent operation. I especially thank JB and Wendy, Horst and Rosemarie for their meals on wheels; Bill for his taxi service; Father Vinh for his last rites although it did not work, I am still here!! Thank you and God bless all. I will have a Mass said for all of you at a later date. Brian Bullen





PSALM FOR 23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A O that today you would hear His voice!

Harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out joy to the Lord; hail the rock Who saves us. Let us come before Him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord.

Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God Who made 115

for He is our God and we the people who belong to His pasture; the flock that is led by His hand.

O that today you would listen to His voice! '

Harden not your hearts at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put Me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw My work.'

POSTAL PLEBISCITE ON SAME-SEX MARRIAGE

Closing date November 7th. For more information and statements on this issue visit www.adelaide.catholic.org.au and www.catholic.org.au.

HOW TO PLAN A FUNERAL

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There will be sessions in both our Mass centres for those of us who may wish to know what occurs if we are in the situation of planning a funeral for a loved one. The Victor session will be on Thursday 14th September after the 9am Mass in the annex. At Goolwa the meeting will be held after the 9.30am Mass on Wednesday 27th September.

CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY September 10th 2017

This year's theme for National Child Protection week is 'See me, Hear me'. Communities where children are seen and heard, where participation is valued and where their families can get the support they need, are stronger communities that help to keep children safe and well. We want to remind families that it's okay to ask for help; we all need to support each other if we are to build a brighter future for children and young people in a Church where every child matters.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

A month where the focus is on the charitable and welfare works within the Adelaide Archdio-



cese with a special collection. Envelopes are on the pews. This year Catholic Charities supports Mercy House of Welcome which helps refugees and asylum seekers.

THE HOLY NAME OF MARY Feast Day 12th September The feast of



the Most Holy Name of Mary began in Spain in 1513.. In 1683. John Sobieski, king of Poland, brought an army to the outskirts of Vienna to stop the advance of Muslim

armies loyal to Mohammed IV of Constantinople. After Sobieski entrusted himself to the Blessed Virgin Mary, he and his soldiers thoroughly defeated the Muslims. Pope Innocent XI extended this feast to the entire Church (Exerpt:franciscanmedia)

THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Feast day 14th September

To follow Christ we must take up His cross, follow Him and become obedient until death, even if it means death on the cross. We identify with Christ on the Cross and become co-redeemers, sharing in His cross. (Excerpt: catholicculture)

OUR LADY OF SORROWS Feast Day 15th September

This feast commemorates the seven great sorrows which Mary lived in relation to her Son, as they are recorded in the Gospels or through Tradition.



Today we are invited to reflect on Mary's deep suffering: The prophecy of Simeon; The flight into Egypt; The lost Holy Child at Jerusalem; Meeting Jesus on His way to Calvary; Standing at the foot of the Cross; Jesus being taken from the Cross; The burial of Jesus. (Excerpt: CNA)

MASS ROSTER

This Week : September 9th & 10th

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

- R.1 M. Farmer
- R.2 V. Wyld
- E.M. R. Powell, P. Harris

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator: K. Rucioch

- R. 1 P. Chigwidden
- R.2 A. Rose
- E.M. M. Cunningham, P. O' Brien, S. Duong, V. Salmon, K. Howard

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: P. Burns

- R.1 K. Fawkner
- R.2 A. Fawkner
- E.M. D. West, C. Williams, B. Longworth, M. Glazewski, L. Healey



Next Week : September 16th & 17th

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

- R.1 J. Randabel-Williamson
- **R.2** B. Bullen
- E.M. S. Duong, E. O'Shaughnessy

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator: E. Temme

- R. 1 R. Reid
- R.2 A. Weygood
- E.M. P. Clingan, A. Rose, I. Reid, K. Rucioch, J. Baker

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: A. Fawkner

R.1 L. Healey **R.2** D. Huppatz E.M. C. May, J. McInnes, J. McMahon, S. Muller, K. Milne

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

2nd, 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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'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'

DID YOU KNOW?

- In the ancient world, the testimony of two witnesses was needed for any charge to be upheld in a civil or religious court. We see many examples of this practice in the gospels; for example, John 9:18.
- Formal exclusion from the Church is called excommunication. Today it is rarely used but over history, many people, even saints, have been excommunicated. Galileo was excommunicated during the Renaissance for his views on science—later proved to be correct. This excommunication was rescinded only in recent years. Even Australia's own St Mary MacKillop was once excommunicated!

SHARING THE TRADITION

There has been an 'up and down' history in the Church in the way it has dealt with conflict and the need to balance the exercise of its legitimate authority with the need to announce God's forgiveness to the world. There have been low points like the Inquisition of the Middle Ages and high points like the papal apologies of the Jubilee Year. In recent years, the scandal of sexual abuse by members of the clergy and religious has caused the Church to re-examine appropriate processes for dealing with such wrong doing by its members. Recent statements from Pope Francis have highlighted this.

EXPLORING THE WORD

The gospel readings for this week and next week come from a section of Matthew which deals with ways the community might regulate its behaviour. Clearly there were some in the group who were behaving in ways which brought the community into disrepute and were contrary to the teaching of Jesus. The question was one of how the community should confront such issues of human sinfulness and help each other in the spirit of love which Jesus professed. Matthew recalls the words of Jesus to suggest a way forward in this dilemma.

This text comes immediately after the parable of the lost sheep where the shepherd expends all possible effort to find the lost one and bring it back to the fold. For Matthew, the main point of that parable is the joy which the master expresses when the lost one returns.

That point is emphasised in this text when Matthew again suggests that all possible effort must be expended on correcting those in the community who err before taking the final step of exclusion from the group. Even then, all is not lost, and Matthew reminds his community that they should pray together and their prayers will be heard.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS (11 - 17 September)

- *Monday, 11:* Weekday, Ord Time 23 (Col 1:24-2:3; Lk 6:6-11)
- *Tuesday, 12:* Weekday, Ord Time 23 (Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19)
- *Wednesday, 13:* St John Chrysostom (Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26)
- *Thursday, 14:* The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Num 21:4-9; Jn 3:13-17)
- *Friday, 15:* Our Lady of Sorrows (Heb 5:7-9; Jn 19:25-27)
- *Saturday, 16:* Sts Cornelius and Cyprian (1 Tim 1:15-17; Lk 6:43-49)
- *Sunday* 17: 24th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Sirach 27:30-28:7; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35)

PASTORAL CARE

If you (or someone you know) is house-bound, in hospital or in residential care and would appreciate a visit from a Priest or someone from the Parish, please let us know. Contact: Noarlunga/Seaford (8382 1717), Willunga (0488 287 552), Victor Harbor/Goolwa (0429 098 802), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).