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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD - YEAR B

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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 (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

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 Ps 46:2-3, 6-9

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 Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named not only in

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SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Julie Bradley, Barbara Bond,
Father John Langtry, Peter Turner,
Mary & Bob Davis, Donald Telford,
Angelo Falco, Vicki Sullivan,
Valerie Londrigan, David Wark,
Shirley & Ray Harrison,
Bob Healey, Duncan Kaye,
John Wallace, Adrian Langtry,
Judith Murphy, Peter Bohnsack,
Josephine Proctor, Krys Milne,
Louise Elliott, Jan Sheehan,
Eric Temme, Richard Whitbread,
Jenny Winchester,

ANNIVERSARIES

Michael Bilston

RECENTLY DECEASED

Patricia Sloan

PARISH COLLECTION 5th & 6th May

1st (Presbytery) \$950.00 2nd (Parish) \$1202.00

VICTOR MORNING TEA 20th May

L. Sunman, & P. Chigwidden 13th May Mothers' Day No morning tea

27th May & 3rd June H. & P. Sampson

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER 12th May

W. & J Baker & T. Lewis 19th & 26th May

B. Munday & R. Kuske

VICTOR MEET & GREET May Saturdays

M. Farmer, V. Wyld May Sundays

H. Sampson, D. Taylor

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

GOOLWA MORNING TEA

May D. Lee, Anke, G. Seah.
GOOLWA MEET & GREET

May P. Kennelly, B. Longworth

ST JOHN'S CHOIR:

Practice Tuesdays 2.30pm . Contact Athalea 0438 552 048



THE HOLY FATHER'S 2018 PRAYER INTENTIONS:

MAY: The Mission of the Laity

That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.



CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

We meet for Lectio Divina (Scripture Reflection) and meditation on Monday evenings for 2018. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Anne Weygood for details. 0429 653 844.

PASTORAL CARE GROUP V.H.

The next meeting will be 12th May 4.30pm in the Annex. All welcome.

ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY WINTER APPEAL

Have you considered answering the call to be a "Good Shepherd" to the poor? Would you consider joining the Society of St Vincent de Paul? Are you interested in joining us in helping others? If you are unable to join us, you are welcome to help us help others by using the envelopes located on the church pews for a monetary donation.

FLEURIEU CANCER SUPPORT

New drivers are needed . You would only be required to drive about once every two weeks and usually to Flinders, Tennyson or RAH. Occasionally to other hospitals. Training would be given. A police clearance and a doctor's certificate are required. If you are interested please contact Bevan 0447 062 281.

THANK YOU

Maria Van Holst would like to express her heartfelt thanks to Father Vinh and a great number of parishioners for prayers offered during her recent surgery.

DEAF MINISTRY SERVICE

will be held in Goolwa at St John's at 11am on 27th May.

CANCER COUNCIL BIGGEST MORNING TEA

at St John's Church on Monday May 21st from 10.30am. Raffle tickets to support the day available after Mass on Sundays.

ARCHBISHOP LEONARD FAULKNER

passed away Sunday 6th May aged 91 years.

Beloved priest and Bishop, dedicated and loving pastor.

A man of the people, respected by all, who lived by his motto 'as one who serves'. His funeral Mass will be on Monday May 14th at 11am in St Francis Xavier 's Cathedral. Vigil Liturgy is on Sunday May 13th at 7.30pm in the Cathedral.

PARISH CENSUS

The Parish Census will continue this weekend. Please fill in the yellow parish census form and return it via collection plates or drop it in to the parish office. Forms are available at all entrances of both Churches.

INVITATION TO ALL CHURCHES—FROM ANGLICAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Alexandra Black was a teacher and with her late husband worked for CMS. Together they sourced school supplies and sent them to schools in Africa. Alexandra will speak in the Holy Evangelists Hall, Crocker Street, Goolwa on May 16th at 10am. A light lunch will follow. Please RSVP to Dawn Hildebrand by May 14th (Phone 0438 642 164) for catering.

KSC NEWS

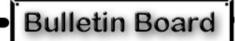
Thank you to all who supported our Mothers'
Day raffle. Results to come later. Members of
the KSC wish all mothers in the parish a very
happy Mothers' Day. Thank you to PPC chair
Ray Klecko who was a guest at our last meeting.
We thank him for his interest and input.
The next meeting of the Knights is at 4pm at
Goolwa on May 17th. Please pray for the
repose of the soul of Michael Bilston whose
anniversary occurs this month.

GOOLWA WINTER WARMER

St John's Social Club presents a winter warmer 3 course meal at the church hall on Saturday 16th June. Cost is \$25 per person with byo drinks. The night will begin at 6 pm sharp and of course our TV screens will be on for the footy. However this is not a footy night but a great occasion for us all to enjoy each other's company over a lovely warm meal.

Why not invite a neighbour or friend to join us on the night.

For Tickets see Paul Kennelly at the church or phone 0402 852 825 (Wednesdays, Thursdays or weekends).





PSALM FOR THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

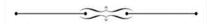
God mounts His throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

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.



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

The Ascension of Our Lord, which occurred 40 days after Jesus Christ rose from the dead on Easter is the final act of our redemption that Christ began on Good Friday



On this day, the risen Christ, in the sight of His apostles, ascended bodily into Heaven.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA 13th MAY



In 1917 at Fatima,
Portugal, the
Blessed Virgin Mary
appeared to three
children—Lucia
Santos and her
cousins Jacinta and
Francisco Marto.
Our Lady asked

people to pray the Rosary for peace in the world and to honour her Immaculate Heart.

MOTHERS' DAY

Mother's Day is a celebration honouring all mothers, as well as motherhood, maternal bonds and the influence of mothers in society



A MOTHERS' DAY PRAYER

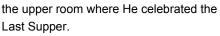
Bless, O Lord Jesus, all mothers. May Your hands of grace be on them, touching their hearts with love, peace and encouragement.

DEVOTIONS FOR MAY THE MONTH OF MARY

You may wish to join in praying THE ROSARY half an hour before Mass in both churches.

THE CENACLE

The Cenacle is a small faith-sharing group. It is as old as the Church itself. The idea contained in the word cenacle is derived from the meeting of our Lord's followers in



We meet each Wednesday at 10.00am in St Joan's Church .We facilitate Marian Devotion by prayers, praying the rosary and consecration to the Immaculate heart of Mary.

You may speak to Gemma for further Information or there are pamphlets in the Church porch at Victor.

VOLUNTEER CELEBRATION 26th/27th May

I wish to say thank you to all parishioners who work voluntarily in the parish. We will celebrate with cake and tea and coffee after all Masses on the weekend of 26th/27th May. Father Vinh.

MASS ROSTER

This Week: 12th & 13th May

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm Commentator: B. Munday

R.1 V. WyldR.2 L. Blacket

E.M. E. O'Connell, R. Powell

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am Commentator: K. Howard

R.1. P. Chigwidden

R.2 V. Coffey

E.M. P. Clingan, K. Rucioch, M. Lloyd, P.O'Brien, R. Reid.

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: M. Freeborn

R.1 Marie RiddellR.2 Michael Riddell

E.M. P. Burns, B. Longworth, J. Ryan, M. Ryan, J. Slagter



Next Week: 19th & 20th May

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: B. Munday

R.1 M. FarmerR.2 B. Bullen

E.M. R. Kuske, P. Harris

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am Commentator: E. Temme

R.1. A. Revilla
R.2 A. Williss

E.M. P. Clingan, I. Reid,

A. Weygood, K. Rucioch, M. Ferguson

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: D. Huppatz

R.1 J. McMahon
R.2 D. McMahon

E.M. D. West, D. Elliott,

M. Glazewski, C. Williams, 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 Sunday 11am (Spanish Mass)
2nd Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass)
Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm
Monday 9.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Wednesday 7.30pm
Thursday 8.45am (St Luke's)
Thursday 9.15am (St John's - term time)
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 2.30pm

PENNESHAW

St Columba, North Terrace (shared with Anglicans) 1st Sunday 2.00pm

SEAFORD

Seaford Ecumenical Mission, Grand Bvd Sunday 10.45am Wednesday 9.15am

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)

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

Mt 28:19, 20

Alleluia, alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 16:15-20

Jesus showed himself to the Eleven, and said to them: 'Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News to all creation. He who believes and is baptised will be saved; he who does not believe will be condemned. These are the signs that will be associated with believers: in my name they will cast out devils; they will have the gift of tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and be unharmed should they drink deadly poison; they will lay their hands on the sick, who will recover.'

And so the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven: there at the right hand of God he took his place, while they, going out, preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word by the signs that accompanied it.

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GOSPEL REFLECTION

Looking up at the sky at night can be a rewarding activity, the beauty of the stars and the immensity of the heavens above can be most captivating. It can make us marvel at what is actually up there. Men have spent billions upon billions to fly rockets into space and some wonder if the money could have been better spent alleviating hunger and eradicating poverty. A preoccupation with looking upwards can result in neglecting what is important below.

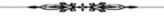
I remember once being in the city of Chester (UK) for a few days and walking on the walls of the city. I was looking at something ahead high up and I missed my footing on the last couple of steps and came crashing to

the earth. Concentrating on what was above my head made me stumble as I did not concentrate on where I was walking!

In the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles the disciples are looking up to the sky as they have just witnessed Jesus ascending to his Father and two men dressed in white say "men of Galilee why are you standing there looking up at the sky?" For Jesus had ascended. The disciples could have been forgiven for wanting to remain in that moment, caught up in the glory of God that they had witnessed. But the disciples reaction is shown in the words of the gospel when it says that the disciples went forth and preached everywhere the Lord working with them.

The temptation may be to look to the sky and remain in the rapture of the glory of God but the reminder today on the feast of the Ascension is that there is much work to do here on the earth to proclaim the gospel. Our task as disciples is to go out and preach the word of God to all peoples. That preaching embraces caring for the poor and needy and being compassionate to the weak and troubled. It means being concerned with the world we live in and making it a better place for all.

Fr Patrick ('Humblepiety' blog)



THIS WEEK'S READINGS (13 - 20 May)

- *Monday, 13*: St Matthias (Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17)
- *Tuesday, 14:* Tuesday of the 7th week of Easter (Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11)
- Wednesday, 15: Wednesday of the 7th week of Easter (Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11-19)
- *Thursday, 16:* Thursday of the 7th week of Easter (Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26)
- *Friday, 17:* Friday of the 7th week of Easter (Acts 25:13-21; Jn 21:15-19)
- *Saturday, 18:* Saturday of the 7th week of Easter (Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25)
- *Sunday 19:* PENTECOST SUNDAY (Acts 2:1-11; Gal 5:16-25; Jn 15:26-27, 16:12-15)

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 (8552 1084), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).