

Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR A

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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 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 6:1-7

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

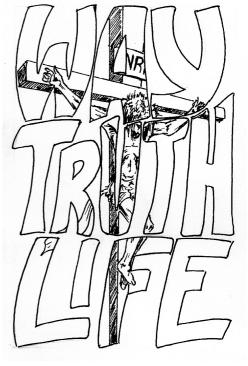
RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 32:1-2, 4-5, 18-19*

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

SECOND READING

1 Peter 2:4-9

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him; set yourselves close to him so that you too, the holy priesthood that offers the spiritual sacrifices which Jesus Christ has made acceptable to God, may be living stones making a spiritual house. As scripture says: See how I lay in Zion a precious cornerstone that I have chosen and the man who rests his trust on it will not be disappointed. That means that for



you who are believers, it is precious; but for unbelievers, the stone rejected by the builders has proved to be the keystone, a stone to stumble over, a rock to bring men down. They stumble over it because they do not believe in the word; it was the fate in store for them.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God who called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Jn 14:6

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 14:1-12

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still, and trust in me. There are many rooms in my Father's house; if there were not, I should have told you.

I am now going to prepare a place (Continued page 4)

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Julie Bradley, Barbara Bond,
Father John Langtry, Rosemary
Powell, Patricia Sloan, 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 ANNIVESARIES

Mary Powell, Katie Fergusson, Constance McMahon

RECENTLY DECEASED

Pauline Munn, Edward Cullen, Ruth Blackmore.

PARISH COLLECTION 6th & 7th May

1st (Presbytery) \$1,039.00 2nd (Parish) \$1,517.00

VICTOR MORNING TEA ROSTER

May 14th & 21st J. & R Randabel-Williamson May 28th & June 4th R. & I. Reid

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER May 19th & 26th

B. Munday, R. Kuske June 2nd & June 9th M.Farmer & C. Pearsons

VICTOR MEET & GREET

May Saturdays L & M Peake May Sundays H. Sampson, M. Fracek

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ST. JOAN'S CHOIR

Practice time is 10.30 am each Friday in the Church

GOOLWA MORNING TEA

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

May: P. Kennelly, B. Longworth

ST. JOHN'S CHOIR:

Practice Tuesdays 3.00pm . Contact: Athalea 8555 2165



THE HOLY FATHER'S 2017 PRAYER

INTENTIONS: May - Christians in Africa.

That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice and peace..

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.

MARIAN PROCESSIION

Sunday, 21st May at 1.30pm for 2.00pm start at Pilgrim Peace Park. A bus will be negotiated if sufficient numbers are interested in participating in the Procession.

Please advise Phil Burns on 0412 700

KSC MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 18th May at St. John's Goolwa at 4.00pm.

ADVANCED CARE DIRECTIVES

Sunday May 28th

Speaker Dr Rob Thornton at St John's Church Goolwa

11.30 for 11.40 start

We are having a shorter service that day followed by a bring and share lunch (no frozen food please).

Please ring Paulene Heddle if you have any questions on 8552 2688.

READERS AND MINISTERS

Could you please notify me of any times you will be **unavailable** in June, July and August, as I will be doing the roster next week.

Mary Ferguson 8552 5747

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

There will be no meeting this Tuesday due to a funeral.

CATERING CONVENOR FOR FUNERALS

Volunteer required to convene catering for funerals at St Joan's Church. Margaret and Len Peake will retire from this responsibility at the end of June. We thank them for their many, many years of committed service. Contact Elaine 8552 9889.

RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE WEEK 4

We reflect on what God is asking of us in our daily lives. We pray for the grace to respond.



RENEWING PARISH: GOOD PREACHER

Father Vinh invites those who are interested in helping him to be more effective in preaching. Please come to the presbytery each Friday at 7 pm. Please read the following Sunday Gospel prior to this gathering.

AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN

Community Concern Event

Church members and friends are invited to join us

FRIDAY 19th MAY 10.30am St. Joan's Church Morning Tea & Jumble Stall Speaker from :

TEAM TLC: TENDER LOVING
CARERS

Supporting carers of people living with Younger Onset Dementia Donation \$5.00 Meet Australian Church Women and local people.

For details Phone: Elaine O'Shaughnessy 8552 9889

CANCER BIGGEST MORNING TEA /LUNCH AT GOOLWA

The Lutheran and Catholic Churches are holding a morning tea at St. John's Goolwa on Friday 26th May from 10.30am to 12.30pm. Cost \$5.00. Please bring a friend, a small item to sell if possible, a plate of finger food for lunch and a small wrapped item for the mystery auction. Please advise Mary 0427 611 917 or June 8555 2607 by 21st May.

PARISH BARBECUE

St Joan's Social BBQ Tea will be held at St



Joan's Annex on Friday 26th May at 5.30 for 6.00 pm. \$6.00 per person. Please bring along a salad, sweet and BYO drinks. ALSO BRING A FRIEND.

Phone Margaret Peake on 8552 7162 Patrine Harris on 8554 3061.





PSALM FOR 5th SUNDAY OF EASTER

Lord, let Your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in You

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp, with a ten-stringed lute sing Him songs.

For the word of the Lord is faithful and all His works to be trusted.

The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with His love.

The Lord looks on those who revere Him, on those who hope in His love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

Lord, let Your mercy be on us,



as we place our trust in You

TO ALL OUR MOTHERS

Mothers hold their child's hand for a moment and their heart for a

LIFETIME.

Dear Mother, Mary, intercede for all of our mothers.

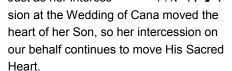
Ask your Divine Son to give them the grace and all-giving love that you have as our mother

Happy Mother's Day.

May the Month of Mary Marian Prayer and Devotion

Mary, the Mother of the Lord, is also our Mother, as members of His family, His Body, the Church.

She is a powerful intercessor in that family. Just as her interces-



Our Marian devotion and prayer is a treasure which leads us, as does all genuine Marian devotion, closer to her Son and into the communion of love in which she now participates in glory. We participate in that communion even now and her prayers assist us in our journey.

REPORT ON PASTORAL COUNCIL APRIL 2017

Retreat in daily life. Great involvement from our parish in this inspiring retreat. In fact of the 63 participants in the Fleurieu / region, 32 are from the Victor Harbor/ Goolwa parish.

National Church Life Survey. The preliminary report from this survey has been received and the results are being collated and studied. Further reports will arrive in the future.

Renewal - Characteristic 3

The Word of God is proclaimed in good preaching. We need to become communities that listen deeply to the Word of God. Our focus on the biblical text in our Sunday gatherings will need to spring from the way our parishes are places of the Word and of prayer during the week. Preaching emerges from profound listening to the Word of grace offered in the text, and from listening to the community. We need time for proper formation and prayerful preparation not only for those who preach the Word, but also for those who read the Scriptures in our assemblies. All those involved with the ministry of the Word need to be conscious that, by the manner of their proclamation, they mediate the grace of God to those who listen.

The way in which the readers proclaim the word is of vital importance. We believe we have many talented and dedicated readers who do a great job. Of particular note was the quality of the proclamation of the readings in our Holy Week liturgies. Fr. Vinh is happy to have input by parishioners regarding his homilies— see the notice in the bulletin on how to do this.

As always, feel free to use the suggestion box in the Church foyer, or speak to a PPC member or Fr. Vinh if you would like to make a comment or offer some ideas regarding the Renewing Church Together process.

Carol Sutherland PPC Chairperson

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY WINTER APPEAL 2017 THE POWER TO CHANGE A LIFE IS IN YOUR HANDS

Envelopes are available in the churches.

MASS ROSTER

This Week 13th & 14th May

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: W. Baker

R.1 J. Ryan

R.2 R. Walsh

E.M. J. Baker, R. Kuske

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator: K. Howard

R. 1 T. Hounslow

R.2 F. Hanna

E.M. P. O'Brien, K. Rucioch M. Lloyd, A Rose, M. Ferguson

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: K. Fawkner

R.1 D. Huppatz

R.2 R. Lee

E.M. D. West. C. Williams. A. Fawkner, D. Elliott, L. Elliott



Next Week: 20th & 21st May

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, M. Lloyd, S. Duong, V. Salmon

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: A. Fawkner

R.1 L. Longworth

R.2 B. Longworth

E.M. M. Davis, P. Burns,

K. Fawkner, M. Glazweski, L. Healey

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 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 7.30pm
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 (Continued from page 1)

for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am you may be too.

You know the way to the place where I am going.'

Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus said:

'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.

No one can come to the Father except through me.

If you know me, you know my Father too.

From this moment you know him and have seen him.'

Philip said, 'Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied.' 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip,' said Jesus to him 'and you still do not know me?

'To have seen me is to have seen the Father, so how can you say, "Let us see the Father"?

Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself: it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work.

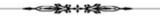
You must believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason. I tell you most solemnly, whoever believes in me will perform the same works as I do myself, he will perform even greater works, because I am going to the Father.'

EXPLORING THE WORD

X-1-X-

Today's gospel draws our attention to the time when Jesus will depart from the disciples (the Ascension is two weeks away). When Jesus is gone, the disciples must continue the task which he has begun. One can imagine their fear and uncertainty in being left with such a monumental challenge. Philip's question, 'Lord, how can we know the way?', shows their fear clearly enough. But help is available. Jesus is the way, the truth and the life. He is both the map and the destination. Disciples are called to adopt Jesus' life-style, his approach to God, to others, to all

creation. In living as Jesus did, living the life of faith, the disciples will know the truth and will have life. This life of faith and living the way of Jesus, God's way in the world, will enable the disciples, not only to continue the work of Jesus, but to perform even greater works.



RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE Week 4

We reflect on what God is asking of us in our daily lives. We pray for the grace to respond generously to the God who has loved us so much. Please remember us in your prayers.



- God could not be everywhere, and therefore he made mothers.
 - Jewish proverb
- My mother had a slender, small body, but a large heart a heart so large that everybody's joys found welcome in it, and hospitable accommodation. *Mark Twain*
- Biology is the least of what makes someone a mother. *Oprah Winfrey*



THIS WEEK'S READINGS (15 - 21 May)

- *Monday, 15:* Monday of 5th week of Easter (Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26)
- *Tuesday, 16:* Tuesday of 5th week of Easter (Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31)
- *Wednesday, 17:* Wednesday of 5th week of Easter (Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8)
- *Thursday, 18:* Thursday of 5th week of Easter (Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11)
- *Friday, 19:* Friday of 5th week of Easter (Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17)
- *Saturday, 20:* Saturday of 5th week of Easter (Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21)
- *Sunday 21:* Sixth Sunday of Easter (Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1 Pet 3:15-18)