Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

PARISH PRIEST Fr Vinh Tran (8552 1084; in emergency - 0429 098 802)

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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 Genesis 9:8-15

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.'

God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Psalm 24:4-9*

Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

SECOND READING 1 Peter 3:18-22

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Mt 4:4*

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! No one lives on bread along, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

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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, Shirley & Ray Harrison, Daniel Holliday, Tania Capogreco, Bob Healey, Duncan Kaye, Jennifer Luistro, Helen Haylock, John Wallace, Adrian Langtry, Judith Murphy, Jenny Winchester, Peter Bohnsack, Josephine Proctor, Krys Milne, Louise Elliott, Robert Leydon, Jan Sheehan

ANNIVERSARIES

Peter McInnes, Jean Warden, Wally West, Frank Refchange, Brian Lloyd, Norma & Berry Reed. Robin Reed , Jackie Moon.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Mary Toledo, Tony Sheehan, Mac O'Donnell, Sheila Parker, Mea Goode

PARISH COLLECTION 10th & 11th February

1st (Presbytery) \$1,458.00 2nd (Parish) \$ 869.00

VICTOR MORNING TEA ROSTER 18th & 25th February H. & P. Sampson

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER 17th February B. Munday & R. Kuske 24th February & 3rd March M. Farmer & C. Pearsons

VICTOR MEET & GREET **February Saturdays** M. Farmer, V. Wyld **February Sundays** J. Baker, F. Harris

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

GOOLWA MORNING TEA ROSTER

February H. Taylor, M. Davis, A. Turner

GOOLWA MEET & GREET February J. McInnes, M. Davis

ST JOHN'S CHOIR: Practice Tuesdays 2.30pm .

Contact Athalea 0438 552 048



THE HOLY FATHER'S 2018 PRAYER **INTENTIONS:**

FEBRUARY : Universal :

Say "No" to Corruption. That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

RENEWING THROUGH LENT 2018

You are encouraged to take the free booklet Renewing Parish Lenten Reflections and reflect on each Sunday gospel during Lent. You may consider inviting your friends to join you at home or in the parish (please advise the parish office so that it can be advertised in the bulletin).

Rosemary Powell will lead the programme each Friday during Lent from 2.00pm -3.00pm in the Annex. Her phone number is 8552 4996 or 0403 830 729.

This booklet will also be discussed on each Sunday during Lent, at 7.00pm - 8.00pm in the Annex at Victor Harbor. All welcome.

LENTEN STUDY GROUP

Fr. Vinh will lead a six week Lenten study called "Blessed and Broken" commencing after morning Mass on Tuesday 20th February at Victor Harbor and Wednesday 21st February at Goolwa. If you are interested, please contact Fr Vinh or leave a message at the Parish office. Cost \$10.00 for a booklet.

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.

CONGRATULATIONS TO INGRID

on the birth of her son Walter Felix Windon on 5th February. Father Vinh hopes to baptise Walter soon.

ARE YOU A "WALKING DICTIONARY"?? Put your talents to the test, join the Scrabble group each Tuesday (except 2nd Tuesdays)

in the Annex from 2pm. If this is not your thing, come along and enjoy a chat and a cuppa. Afternoon tea provided



ALL WELCOME

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Victor Harbor and Goolwa: 4.00pm each Friday during Lent.



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS

As part of our role as a Parish Pastoral Council we are asked to:

grow in knowledge and awareness of what is already happening in the parish

encourage and support the good work of existing groups within the parish (Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference 2007)

So over the next few months we are planning to visit all the groups in our Parish. We want to understand what your group is about and



discover if there is any way in which we can offer help. If possible we would like a person to speak for your group at our weekend Masses. Thank VOU.

Your Parish Pastoral Council.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 22nd February at Victor Harbor after 9.00am Mass. New members welcome

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The Goolwa church will hold the World day of prayer on Friday 2nd March at 10 am . The Lutheran church is the host this year . Every one is welcome to attend this prayerful and enjoyable event. Anne Turner

NEWS FROM ST. JOHN'S GOOLWA

The next inter church meeting will be held on 22nd February at our host Church this year, namely Christian Fellowship. Father Vinh, Bill Longworth and Paul Kennelly will represent our Catholic community. The latest meeting of the Goolwa Lutheran and Catholic communities was held on 15th February at the Church. Many thanks to the ladies who have offered their services to assist with the flower presentations within the Church.

SHEILA PARKER who passed away last Monday will have her ashes interred next to Ken in our columbarium.

Bulletin Board



PSALM FOR THE 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B

Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep Your covenant.

Lord, make me know Your ways. Lord, teach me Your paths. Make me walk in Your truth and teach me for You are God my Saviour.

Remember Your mercy, Lord, and the love You have shown from of old. In Your love remember me, because of Your goodness, O Lord.

The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, He guides the humble in the right path; He teaches His ways to the poor.

Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep Your covenant.



PREPARING FOR LENT

As Lent approaches, the same idea of preparation that St. Ignatius suggests can be helpful in our preparation for Lent.

Have we physically set aside a prayer space for our Lenten journey?

What time of day will we pray during Lent? What are the "exercises" or prayer methods we will be using during Lent?

What is the grace we desire to deepen within us during Lent?

To deepen our understanding of Jesus' Passion?

To walk with Jesus through His Passion and Resurrection?

To work on overcoming a temptation that keeps us from fully entering into life with Christ?

To foster a new spiritual practice to ignite or inflame our relationship with Jesus? (Excerpt :Ignatian Spirituality.com)

PROJECT COMPASSION

The envelopes and boxes for this appeal may be picked up from the porches of both churches.



JANAKI FROM NEPAL

Janaki is a young entrepreneur from Nepal, who has turned her life around. Growing up in a world of poverty and disadvantage, coupled with a forced mar-



riage at the age of 12, she was in a very vulnerable position. Even more so when her husband died just two years into their marriage. She's now running her own successful sewing business and has become an inspirational community leader.

THE CHAIR OF ST PETER THE APOSTLE Feast day 22nd February



This feast dedicated to St Peter has been celebrated since the fourth century in Rome to recall how Christ named the Galilean fisherman

the shepherd of His flock.

On this day, we meditate on Peter's special role among the Apostles and in the first generation Church.

We also think of the role of Peter's successor, Francis, the Bishop of Rome. (Daily Missal)

ST POLYCARP

Feast Day 23rd February (69 – 155) Polycarp was recognized as a Christian leader by all Asia Minor Christians—a strong fortress of faith and loyalty to Jesus Christ.

His own strength emerged from his trust in God, even when events contradicted this trust. Living among pagans and under a government opposed to the new religion, he led and fed his flock. Like the Good Shepherd, he laid down his life for his sheep and kept them from more persecution in Smyrna. *Excerpt: Franciscan media*)

CHILDREN'S LENTEN CALENDAR

Parents and Grandparents may like to pick up, from the porch, a **CHILDREN'S 40 DAYS OF LENT CALENDAR** for the family. This will help the children to follow Lent from Ash Wednesday to Easter.

MASS ROSTER

This Week : February 17th & 18th

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: B. Munday

- R.1 M. Farmer
- R.2 J. Randabel-Williamson
- E.M. R. Kuske, P. Harris

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator: E. Temme

- R. 1
 R. Reid

 R.2
 P. O'Brien
- **E.M.** P. Clingan, K. Rucioch, M. Ferguson, A. Weygood, I. Reid .

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: M. O'Halloran

- R.1 J. McInnes
- R.2 Marie Riddle

E.M. J. McMahon, J. Ryan, S. Muller, M. Ryan, P. Burns



Next Week : February 24th & 25th VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy R.1 J. Ryan R.2 V. Wyld

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

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator: V. Coffey

R.1 T. Hounslow **R.2** P. O'Brien

E.M. K. Rucioch, M. Lloyd, V. Salmon, K. Howard, L. Sunman.

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: Marie Riddle

R.1 J. Ryan**R.2** Michael Riddle

E.M. T. Siciliano, J. Slagter, D. West, C. Williams, P. Burns

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 3.00pm

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

GOSPEL

Mark 1:12-15

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'



EXPLORING THE WORD The Baptist had promised that Jesus would baptise with the Holy Spirit and at his baptism the Holy Spirit had descended on him. Now that same Spirit drives Jesus into the wilderness. He is not the master of his own destiny. He is the object of the action of God. There is no murmur of opposition to this. Jesus accepts God's Spirit and God's will. As a consequence, the harmony of creation is restored and Jesus 'is with' the wild beasts. It is a fulfilment of the prophecy of Isaiah that 'the wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, and the calf and the lion and fatling together' (Is 11:6-7). The new creation has begun in the person of Jesus, the Christ, the Son of God. Indeed, he proclaims that the Kingdom of God is close at hand.

But Jesus also summons his followers to repent and believe the good news. Lent is a time to listen attentively to the gospel and to turn back to the ways of the Father. It is a time for us to consider how close we are to the Kingdom of God.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Lent lasts for forty days in imitation of Jesus' forty days in the wilderness. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Thursday.
- There is evidence of Lenten preparation for Easter very early in the Church's history but its practices became more regularised after the Council of Nicaea.

- Each Lent all the baptised are expected to adopt the three Lenten disciplines of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving to those in need.
- In years gone by, Catholics did not eat meat on any Friday, and later, on Fridays in Lent. Today there are two days of the year when Catholics are expected to not eat meat— Ash Wednesday and Good Friday—but all the Fridays of Lent are still days when we should 'fast'.
- This scene in the gospel has been traditionally associated with the Judean wilderness, an unforgiving dessert landscape in the south of the country.
 - MAKING CONNECTIONS
- How do you experience 'the wilderness' in your life? What are the 'wild beasts' for you in this place? Who or what looks after you?
- What comforts and distractions make it difficult for you to follow Jesus' way? Can you dispense with these for the forty days of Lent? Can you, instead, take on additional tasks or disciplines to assist you in walking with God?

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(19 - 25 February)

- *Monday, 19:* Monday of 1st week of Lent (Lev 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46)
- *Tuesday, 20:* Tuesday of 1st week of Lent (Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15)
- *Wednesday, 21:* Wednesday of 1st week of Lent (Jonah 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32)
- *Thursday, 22:* The Chair of St Peter (1 Pet 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19)
- *Friday, 23:* Friday of 1st week of Lent (Ezek 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26)
- *Saturday, 24:* Saturday of 1st week of Lent (Deut 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48)
- *Sunday 25:* SECOND SUNDAY of LENT (Gen 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18; Rom 8:31-34; Mk 9:2-10)

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).