

Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE

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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) (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 UNIT

Sally Wellington (Manager - 8210 8268) Kevin Rucioch (0499 005 714) Ian Reid (8552 4329)



FIRST READING

Exodus 17:3-7 Tormented by thirst, the people complained against Moses. 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt?' they said. 'Was it so that I should die of thirst, my children too, and my cattle?'

Moses appealed to the Lord. 'How am I to deal with this people?" he said. 'A little more and they will stone me!' the Lord said to Moses, 'Take with you some of the elders of Israel and move on to the forefront of the people; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the river, and go. I shall be standing before you there on the rock, at Horeb. You must strike the rock, and water will flow from it for the people to drink.' This is what Moses did, in the sight of the elders of Israel. The place was named Massah and Meribah because of the grumbling of the sons of Israel and because they put the Lord to the test by saying, 'Is the Lord with us, or not?'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

SECOND READING

Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 Through our Lord Jesus Christ, by faith we are judged righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we can boast about looking forward to God's glory. This hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us. We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man – though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die – but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again. Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!



GOSPEL John 4:5-42

Jesus came to the Samaritan town called Sychar, near the land that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well is there and Jesus, tired by the journey, sat straight down by the well. It was about the sixth hour. When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink.' His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, 'What? You are a Jew and you ask me, a Samaritan, for a drink?' – Jews, in fact, do not associate with Samaritans. Jesus replied:

'If you only knew what God is offering and who it is that is saying to you: Give me a drink, you would have been the one to ask, and he would have given you living water.'

'You have no bucket, sir,' she answered 'and the well is deep: how could you get this living water? Are you a greater man than our father Jacob who gave us this well and drank from it himself with his sons and his cattle?' Jesus replied:

'Whoever drinks this water will get thirsty again; but anyone who drinks the water that I shall give will never be thirsty again: the water that I shall give will turn into a spring inside him, welling up to eternal life.'

'Sir,' said the woman 'give me some of that water, so that I may never get thirsty (Continued page 4)

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Julie Bradley, Barbara Bond, Father John Langtry, Pat Proctor, Rosemary Powell, Patricia Sloan, Susan Anderson, Doris Donald, Kathleen Tiltman, Sue Butler, Peter Turner, Judith Murphy, Bob Davis, Donald Telford, Rosemary Scholefield, Maureen Vieboom, Mary Slattery, Angelo Falco, Dennis McNamara. Paul & Edward Cullen,

RECENTLY DECEASED

Frank Refchange

ANNIVERSARIES Graham Nicolson, Kevin Higgins.

PARISH COLLECTION 11h & 12th March

1st (Presbytery) \$1,173.00 2nd (Parish) \$1,698.50

VICTOR MORNING TEA ROSTER

March 19th J. & W. Baker March 26th & April 2nd. E. & A. Temme

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

March 17th P. Mezzino & E. O'Shaughnessy

March 24th & 31st M. Davis, F. Harris

VICTOR MEET & GREET

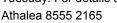
March Saturdays L. & M. Peake March Sundays M. Fracek, & A. Wright

ST. JOAN'S CHOIR Practice time is 10.30am each Friday in the Church

GOOLWA MORNING TEA ROSTER

March M. Freeborn, A. Fawkner, L. Elliot, Irene T. **GOOLWA MEET & GREET** March C. & J. Slagter

ST. JOHN'S CHOIR Practice is held at 3.00pm every Tuesday. For details contact





STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT Goolwa : Friday 3.00pm

Victor Harbor: Friday 4.00pm

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2017 PRAYER **INTENTIONS: March**

Support for Persecuted Christians. That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY

Groups meet fortnightly on Thursday nights (mixed) 7.00pm - 9.00pm and Wednesday (women) 1.30 - 3.30 pm. Phone Rob and Jocelyne Randabel-Williamson for more information. 0402 341 071.

LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUPS



Thank you to all those interested in our 2017 Lenten Discus-Lent sion Groups: "HOPE" If others wish to join, please feel free to come to one of the following:

Wednesdays, 2.00 pm

Sundays, 7.00 pm

both in the Annex, Victor Harbor. If you need a booklet , please see Father Vinh at Mass this weekend,

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.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP V.H./GOOLWA

The Group will meet every Tuesday from 2.00pm - 4.00pm in St. Joan's annex Victor Harbor except for the second Tuesday of each month which is St. Joan's Social Club meeting.

PROJECT COMPASSION (CARITAS AUSTRALIA)

Family Lenten Campaign will be held during Lent from 1st March -16th April. Boxes will be available at both Churches.

EMAIL ADDRESS

The Parish has recently updated e-mail addresses. This week our 1st trial e-mail is sent to all who have given us their e-mail address. If you haven't received our e-mail please send your e-mail address to : catholicvhg@bigpond.com and we will update our database.

DAY OF THE UNBORN CHILD APPEAL

In the Archdiocese of Adelaide, the Day of the Unborn Child occurs on the Feast of the Annunciation, 25th March.

This special collection, 25th/26th March is taken up in support of pro-life agencies Birthline, Right to Life, Matercare Australia and Genesis Pregnancy Support Inc.

ST. JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB **FISH & CHIP NIGHT**

This popular event will be held on Friday 31st March in the annex 5.30pm for 6.00pm. This is a special Lenten occa-



sion and guaranteed to be a very enjoyable evening. The cost is \$7.50 each which will cover the fish & chips. Please bring salad and sweets to share. BYO drinks. Gluten free available on request. Please phone Margaret Peake on 8552 7162 or Patrine Harris on 8554 3061 by 29th March.

N.B. We need to know exact numbers

GOOLWA

CATHOLIC / LUTHERAN COMMUNITIES

The next combined service for the two communities will be held at St. John's Church on Thursday 30th March at 7.00pm. Following the service, coffee and tea will be served with a light supper.

COMBINED CHURCHES OF GOOLWA

The next combined service will be held at the Anglican Church in Cadell Street on Sunday 2nd April from 5 -6pm.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 23rd March at Victor Harbor in the annex after the 9.00am Mass.

EASTER READERS AND MINISTERS

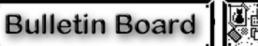
Please note there is a list in the porch at St. Joan's for volunteers for Easter Services.

ST. JOSEPH'S OLD SCHOLARS

Annual Mass Sunday 26th March, 2.00pm. Kensington Convent Chapel. Celebrant: Father Kevin Taylor Devonshire tea \$5.00

SACRED SPACE SPEAK QUIETLY

Thank you to all who have responded so well in following the sign: "Sacred space: Speak quietly". Please keep up this effort so we can all pray better





HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Victor Harbor :

Holy Thursday 13th April 8.00 pm Good Friday 14th April 2.00 pm The Passion of Our Lord Holy Saturday 15th April 8pm Easter Sunday 16th April 11am Goolwa: Holy Thursday 13th April 6pm Good Friday 14th April 10.00am Stations of the Cross 4.00 pm The Passion of Our Lord

Holy Saturday 15th April 6pm Easter Sunday 16th April 9am

SECOND FORM OF RECONCILIATION Wednesday 29th March 7.00 pm at Victor Harbor

PSALM FOR 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts

Come, ring out our 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 us 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 as 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'

If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts



POPE FRANCIS' MESSAGE FOR LENT

(<u>CNA/EWTN News</u>).- In his message for Lent 2017, Pope Francis reminded the faithful that they should heed the Scriptures and treat each human person they encounter as a gift.

"Lent is the favourable season for renewing our encounter with Christ, living in His word, in the sacraments and in our neighbour," he said. "May the Holy Spirit lead us on a true journey of conversion, so that we can rediscover the gift of God's word, be purified of the sin that blinds us, and serve Christ present in our brothers and sisters in need."

ST. JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF MARY Feast Day 19th March

Joseph was an ordinary manual labourer although descended from the royal house of David. In the designs of Providence he was destined to become the spouse of the Mother of God. His high privilege is expressed in a single



phrase, "Foster-father of Jesus." About him Sacred Scripture has little more to say than that he was a just man-an expression which indicates how faithfully he fulfilled his high trust of protecting and guarding God's greatest treasures upon earth, Jesus and Mary.

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD The Day of Christ's Incarnation Feast Day 25th March



The Solemnity of the Annunciation celebrates the coming of the Angel Gabriel to the Virgin Mary to announce to her the special mission God had chosen for her in being the mother of His only Son.

We are continually re-

minded of the importance of this feast to our salvation in various devotional prayers. Two examples that highlight the importance of this feast are the Joyous Mysteries of the Rosary and the Angelus.

The feast of the Annunciation began to be celebrated on this day during the fourth and fifth centuries, soon after the date for celebrating Christmas was universalized throughout the Church. This feast celebrates the Incarnation of the Second Person of the Trinity and the salvation of all mankind. This point of our salvation was deeply discussed by many of the Church fathers, to explain it to the faithful and to show the deep love God has for us

RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE 24th April—20th May 2017

If you were away last weekend and missed the information about the Retreat in Daily Life, would you please see Fran or Bill at the back of the Church after Mass and collect your brochure and application form. See feature on back page of this bulletin For more details phone: Bill, 8555 5174 Fran, 0415 124 010

MASS ROSTER

This Week : 18th & 19th March

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00p.m.

Commentator: B. Munday

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

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00 am

Commentator: V. Coffey

- R.1 R. Reid
- R.2 P. O'Brien
- **E.M.** R. Reid, I. Reid, M. Ferguson, S. Duong, M. Cunningham

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: D. Huppatz R1. D. West R.2 R. Lee E.M. J. Slagter, M. Ryan, M. O' Halloran T. Siciliano, J. Ryan



Next Week : 25th & 26th March

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00p.m.

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 B. MundayR.2 V. WyldE.M. P. Harris

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00 am

Commentator: K. Howard

R.1 A. Williss
R.2 T. Hounslow
E.M. M. Cunningham, K. Rucioch
M. Lloyd, P. O'Brien, V. Salmon

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: P. Kennelly R1. P. Burns R.2 M. Davis E.M. M. Riddle, D. West, A. Turner, C. Williams, 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

 $2^{nd} \mbox{ and } 4^{th} \mbox{ Sunday } 4.00 \mbox{pm}$

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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and never have to come here again to draw water.' 'Go and call your husband' said Jesus to her 'and come back here.' The woman answered, 'I have no husband.' He said to her, 'You are right to say, "I have no husband"; for although you have had five, the one you have now is not your husband. You spoke the truth there.' 'I see you are a prophet, sir' said the woman. 'Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, while you say that Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship.' Jesus said:

'Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know: for salvation comes from the Jews. But the hour will come – in fact it is here already – when true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth: that is the kind of worshipper the Father wants. God is spirit, and those who worship must worship in spirit and truth.'

The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah – that is, Christ – is coming; and when he comes he will tell us everything.' 'I who am speaking to you,' said Jesus 'I am he.'

At this point his disciples returned, and were surprised to find him speaking to a woman, though none of them asked, 'What do you want from her?' or, 'Why are you talking to her?' The woman put down her water jar and hurried back to the town to tell the people. 'Come and see a man who has told me everything I ever did; I wonder if he is the Christ?' This brought people out of the town and they started walking towards him.

Meanwhile, the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, do have something to eat; but he said, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' So the disciples asked one another, 'Has someone been bringing him food?' But Jesus said:

'My food is to do the will of the one who sent me, and to complete his work. Have you not got a saying: Four months and then the harvest? Well, I tell you: Look around you, look at the fields; already they are white, ready for harvest! Already the reaper is being paid his wages, already he is bringing in the grain for eternal life, and thus sower and reaper rejoice together. For here the proverb holds good: one sows, another reaps; I sent you to reap a harvest you had not worked for. Others worked for it; and you have come into the rewards of their trouble.'

Many Samaritans of that town had believed in him on the strength of the woman's testimony when she said, 'He told me all I have ever done', so, when the Samaritans came up to him, they begged him to stay with them. He stayed for two days, and when he spoke to them many more came to believe; and they said to the woman, 'Now we no longer believe because of what you told us; we have heard him ourselves and we know that he really is the saviour of the world.'



RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE 24 April - 2 May, 2017

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. Find the brochure and application form at the back of the church.

For more details:

- At Noarlunga/Seaford contact Steve/ Carmel Lawless or Dulcie Wong (8382 8444 / 0432 340 760)
- At Willunga contact Peter Laffan or Sr Margaret-Anne (0488 062 112 / 0488 287 552)
- At Victor Harbor/Goolwa contact Fran Hanna or Bill Longworth (0415 124 010 / 8555 5174)

EXPLORING THE WORD

- Do you sometimes have a superficial understanding of what Jesus offers? How can you continue to deepen your appreciation of Jesus?
- What 'thirst' characterises your life at the moment?

THIS WEEK'S READINGS (20 - 26 March)

- *Monday*, 20: St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary (2 Sam 7:4-5, 12-14, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:q6, 18-21, 24)
- *Tuesday, 21:* Tue, 3rd week Lent (Dan 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35)
- *Wednesday, 22:* Wed, 3rd week Lent (Deut 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19)
- *Thursday, 23:* Thur, 3rd week Lent (Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23)
- *Friday, 24:* Fri 3rd week of Lent (Hosea 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34)
- *Saturday, 25:* The Annunciation of the Lord (Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38)
- *Sunday 26:* FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (1 Sam 16:1, 6-7, 10-13; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41)