



Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 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 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

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159

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



The last
will be first,
and the
first will
be last.
Mt 20:16

FIRST READING

Isaiah 55:6-9

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near.

Let the wicked man abandon his way, the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him, to our God who is rich in forgiving; for my thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks.

Yes, the heavens are as high above earth as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 144:2-3, 8-9, 17-18

The Lord is near to all who call him.

SECOND READING

Philippians 1:20-24, 27

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results – I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake.

Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Acts 16:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.
Alleluia!*

GOSPEL

Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius

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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,
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

Peg Page, Simon Slagter, Bridget
McMahon, Margaret Page

RECENTLY DECEASED

Jack Irvine, Thomas Cronin,
Corrie McConville,
Kathleen Kennedy



Bulletin Board

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.



PARISH COLLECTION

16th & 17th September

1st (Presbytery) \$939.50
2nd (Parish) \$1437.50

VICTOR MORNING TEA ROSTER

September 24th

M. Cunningham, A. Wright
October 1st & 8th
J. & W. Baker

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

September 29th

P. Mezzino & E. O'Shaughnessy
October 6th & 13th
W. & J. Baker, T. Lewis

VICTOR MEET & GREET

September Saturdays

M. & L. Peake, M. Farmer

September Sundays

M. Fracek & F. Harris

October Saturdays

M. & L. Peake, M. Farmer

October Sundays

A. Wright, D. Taylor

GOOLWA MORNING TEA ROSTER

September

D. Lee, Anke, G. Seah,

October

M. Davis, A. Turner, H. Taylor

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

September

S. Burns & D. West

October

P. Kennelly, B. Longworth

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

MONTHLY PRAYER GROUP/RETREAT IN

DAILY LIFE Our meeting will take place in the Annex on this Monday 25th September at 2pm.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL Our next meeting is on Wednesday 27th September at 7.00 pm at Goolwa.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Meeting: Thursday 28th September after 9.00am Mass at Victor Harbor. New members welcome.

PASTORAL CARE GROUP

Meeting: Saturday 30th September at 4pm in the Annex. All welcome.

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE

Our retreat begins on this Tuesday 26th September with seven people taking part. We ask you to pray for us as we set out on our journey. In the first week we are asked to remember an experience of being cared for. We bring this to God in prayer. To know real love is to know God.



DATE SAVERS

ST JOHN'S SOCIAL CLUB QUIZ

AFTERNOON SUNDAY 8TH OCTOBER

Meet in the Hall at 12.30pm for lunch and stay for the quiz at 2.00pm.

Table booking: Anne Fawcner 8552 6074 or 0435 085 040 Cost: \$10.00 pp

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCH

Is once again being held in the hall at Goolwa on Tuesday 7th November at midday. Cost is \$25.00 which includes a 2 course lunch and raffle tickets. Come along and enjoy a great afternoon of good food and fellowship.

Tables available NOW. Please call Anne Fawcner on 8552 6074 or 0435 085 040.



FRIDAY NIGHT TEA 29TH SEPTEMBER

This will be a fundraiser for Caritas, Women for the World. Money raised from Women for the World will go to fund Caritas' work in 29 countries globally. Women have an important and increasingly influential role in society, yet 55% of

the world's poor are women. We would like to have a 'casserole night' instead of a BBQ. The members of the social club will supply casseroles and if parishioners would also like to do a casserole they are welcome. If you are attending please bring a

sweet and BYO drinks

as usual. Tickets

\$10.00 each.

Please phone

Anita on 8552 8751 or

Bunny 8552 3906.

RSVP 26/9/17.



ST VINCENT de PAUL BADGE DAY

At Victor Harbor outside the Post Office in Ocean Street on Friday 29th September. John & Wendy are setting it up. Are there any Victor or Goolwa parishioners who would be able to give an hour to help on the roster? Phone Wendy 0438 525 477 or John 0419 046 147 or email johnbaker5211@gmail.com





PSALM FOR 25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A The Lord is near to all who call Him

I will bless You day after day
and praise Your name for ever.
The Lord is great, highly to be praised,
His greatness cannot be measured.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassion to all His creatures.

The Lord is just in all His ways
and loving in all His deeds.
He is close to all who call Him,
who call on Him from their hearts.

ST VINCENT de PAUL Feast Day 27th September (1581 - 1660)

Vincent de Paul was born in the small southern French town of Pouy later renamed Saint Vincent de Paul in his honour. An appointment as chaplain to a poor parish, and to galley prisoners, inspired him to a vocation of working with those most marginalised and powerless. Vincent urged his followers "Deal with the most urgent needs. Organise charity so that it is more efficient; teach reading and writing, educate with the aim of giving each the means of self-support, intervene with authorities to obtain reforms in structure, there is no charity without justice." **He is the international patron of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul.** It was named after him and follows his teachings and compassion for people in need. (Excerpt: www.vinnies.org)



GIVE A MAN A FISH
and you feed him for a day.
TEACH A MAN TO FISH
and you feed him for a lifetime.



PEACE IN ACTION

To celebrate World Peace Day there will be a workshop on Sunday 24th September at 3.00pm at Bethany Uniting Church Hall, corner of St Jude's St and St Andrew's Terrace, Willunga. Speakers will address the following:

Treaty SA and Makarrata – South Australian and Federal recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders
Ending male violence
Countering xenophobia and racism
Nonviolent responses to global violence – from terrorism to the nuclear threat.

The workshop will encourage participants to join others in taking action on one of these issues.
RSVP to impe@internode.on.net or Peter Laffan 8556 3915.

HOW TO PLAN A FUNERAL

There will be a session after 9.30am Mass at **Goolwa on Wednesday 27th September** 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.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

A little giving goes a long way

Catholic Charities is the umbrella organisation that supports the agencies working with the most vulnerable in South Australia.



STATIONS OF CREATION

Sunday 1st October, prayer and reflection in Onkaparinga River National Park. Meet at 2.45 pm at Gate 11, Piggott Range Road, Onkaparinga Hills. (Best to come via Upper Penneys Hill Rd from States Rd.) Reasonable fitness required. Wear good walking shoes
0488 062 112 for further directions.

FRIENDS OF FRANCIS OCT 1ST 4PM

Meet at St Luke's, Noarlunga Downs. Catholics working for justice, peace and care of creation in the Fleurieu cluster of parishes. Contact Peter Laffan 8556 3915 or impe@internode.on.net.

FOUR WEEKS ON GOSPEL OF MARK Goolwa

Wednesday 4th October after Mass.
Victor Harbor
Thursday 5th October in Annex at 7pm.
Please ring Father Vinh on 8552 1084 to confirm your attendance.

MASS ROSTER

This Week : September 23th & 24th

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 J. Randabel-Williamson

R.2 B. Bullen

E.M. P. Harris,

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : M. Ferguson

R. 1 W. Baker

R.2 A. Rose

E.M. R. Reid, I. Reid, K. Rucioch, P. O'Brien, V. Salmon.

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: M. Freeborn

R.1 P. Kennelly

R.2 Michael Riddle

E.M. Marie Riddle, J. Ryan, M. Ryan, T. Siciliano, J. Slagter



Next Week : Sept 30th & Oct 1st

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 C. Sutherland

R.2 M. Farmer

E.M. R. Powell & R. Kuske

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : E. Temme

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: Paul Kennelly

R.1 R. Lee

R.2 C. May

E.M. J. Slagter, D. West, P. Burns, M. Davis, M. Glazewski.

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

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each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'

DID YOU KNOW?

- In the Greco-Roman world, casual labourers used to gather in the agora or town-square waiting for employers to hire them.
- In the early Church there was sometimes a jealousy between those who had believed in the risen Christ from the earliest days and thus suffered persecution for their faith and those, especially Gentiles, who came to belief later on.

EXPLORING THE WORD

This gospel offers yet another challenge to human ideas about what is just and reveals the generosity of God. The Master makes a point of having those who came last, paid first. One must imagine the queue, with the newly arrived workers at the head and those tired from a full day's labour watching as the late-comers are paid in full. In many ways, the audience is drawn into sharing their disappointment and indignation. If those employed early had been at the head of the queue, they would have gone off happy with their contracted wage. The problem arises only when they see the late-comers reaping the same reward. This is an indication of a

problem which has arisen in Matthew's community. Those Jewish Christians who have risked all and believed from the beginning, are now seeing the new-comers to faith being offered the same reward. Jesus' answer is simple: the kingdom is God's. God can do as he likes and what God chooses is to welcome all and offer reward to all who come to belief, no matter at what stage.

LIVING THE WORD

The 'vineyard' in the Hebrew Scriptures always referred to Israel, the people of God, while the 'master' was God himself. This parable would have been clearly understood to be about being gathered into God's people and who was welcomed into the kingdom. The unbounded generosity of God is highlighted.

- In what ways are we able to offer generosity to new-comers in our parish or local area?
- What welcoming ministries exist in our parish for those who move into the area or for new migrants?
- Who are the people in our society who are in need of generosity and welcome?

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(25 September - 1 October)

- **Monday, 25:** Weekday, Ord Time 25 (Ezra 1:1-6; Lk 8:16-18)
- **Tuesday, 26:** Weekday, Ord Time 25 (Ezra 6:7-8, 12, 14-20; Lk 8:19-21)
- **Wednesday, 27:** St Vincent de Paul (Ezra 9:5-9; Lk 9:1-6)
- **Thursday, 28:** Weekday, Ord Time 25 (Haggai 1:1-8; Lk 9:7-9)
- **Friday, 29:** Sts Michael Gabriel, Raphael (Dan 7:9-10, 13-14; Jn 1:47-51)
- **Saturday, 30:** St Jerome (Zech 2:5-9, 14-15; Lk 9:43-45)
- **Sunday 1:** 26th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Ezek 18:25-28; Phil 2:1-11; Mt 21:28-32)

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).