



Bulletin Board

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Julie Bradley, Barbara Bond,
Mark Kelly, Father John Langtry,
Leo Langtry, Paul Cullen, Frank
Refchange, Pat Proctor, Kevin
Walz, Rosemary Powell, Patricia
Sloan, Susan Anderson, Doris
Donald, Kathleen Tiltman, Sue
Butler, Pat Rodgers, Peter Turner,
Judith Murphy, John Slagter, Bob
Davis

ANNIVERSARIES

Dorothy Higgins, Margaret and
Vincent Moriarty, Maria Slagter,
Andrew Cunningham, Reginald
Meade.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Brian O'Driscoll, Leo Ryan,
Genevieve Richter

PARISH COLLECTION

19th & 20th November

1st (Presbytery) \$1,654.00

2nd (Parish) \$1,131.15

VICTOR MORNING TEA ROSTER

November 27th & December 4th
M. Cunningham & A. Wright

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

November 25th

G. Woodhead, H. Sampson,
December 2nd - 9th
M. Davis, F. Harris

VICTOR MEET & GREET

November Saturdays

L. & M. Peake

November Sundays

J. Baker, A. Wright

December Saturdays

L. & M. Peake & M. Farmer

December Sundays

H. Sampson, F. Harris

ST. JOAN'S CHOIR

Practice time is at 10.30am each
Friday in the Church

GOOLWA MORNING TEA ROSTER

November M. Freeborn,
A. Fawknor, L. Elliot

December

E. De Vries, D. McMahon, Loudi

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

November C. & J. Slagter

December K. & A. Fawknor

ST. JOHN'S CHOIR

Practice is held at 3.00 p.m. every
Tuesday. For details contact

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2016 PRAYER INTENTIONS - Countries Receiving

Refugees: *that the countries which take in
a great number of displaced persons and
refugees may find support for their efforts of
solidarity.*

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.

EXPLORING THE GOSPEL

Deepen your understanding of the Sunday
Gospel at 7.00pm - 8.00pm each Sunday in
the Annex, Victor Harbor. All welcome.

CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

We meet for Lectio Divina (Scripture
Reflection) and meditation on Monday
evenings for 2016. Anyone is welcome.
Please contact Anne Weygood for details
0429 653 844.

ST. JOAN'S FRIENDSHIP GROUP

The gathering of the Friendship Group is held
in the annex every Tuesday from 2.00p.m. -
4.00p.m. All welcome.

FILIPINO CHOIR



This choir will be singing at St.
Joan's at 6pm Saturday Mass on
3rd December. **All welcome.**
Please bring a plate to share and
join them for refreshments in the
Annex after Mass.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS 2017

These are now available at St. John's and St.
Joan's Churches for \$10.00 each. The calen-
dars highlight the work of the Columban
missionaries around the world.

ALTAR ROSTER — HELP NEEDED

One volunteer has had to retire due to ill
health. We are in urgent need of a
replacement. Please contact :
Mary Ferguson 8552 5747 or 0434 877 863

GOOLWA CHURCH OF CHRIST

Porter St., Goolwa

"First Things First Series" Lecture

Topic : "Jesus Raised from the dead"

27th November 2016

2.00pm - 4.00pm

Speakers Pastor Mick Wright (Goolwa)

Pastor Randall Lawton (Aldinga)

Tony Martin (Bible Teacher)

CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR MASS TIMES

Victor Harbor :

Sat 24th December. — 7.00pm

Sun. 25th December — 10.00am

Sat. 31st December — 6.00pm

Sun. 1st January — 11.00am

Goolwa

Sat. 24th December — 5.30pm

Sun. 25th December — 8.30am

Sun. 1st January — 9.00am

"EMMANUEL - ADVENT 2016" BOOKLET

We are approaching the Advent Season
where we await the coming of Jesus.

"Emmanuel - Advent 2016" is the ideal
booklet for you to live out the Spirit of waiting
and hope to receive Jesus. This booklet is
available at the door this weekend at a cost of
\$3.00 each.

THANK YOU BARBEQUE

Our parish wishes to thank our volunteers and
we invite you to a "thank you" BBQ at Victor
Harbor on Sunday 4th

December at 12 noon and at

Goolwa Sunday 11th

December at 12.30pm. We

hope you can be there to

celebrate. Please bring

salad and drinks, meat

provided.



RSVP: Victor Harbor: M. Peake 8552 7162

P. Harris 8554 3061 by 1st December.

RSVP: Goolwa: A. Fawknor: 8552 6074,

A. Turner: 8555 2824 by 7th December.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL

St Vincent de Paul Society has volunteers
who work to restore hope and to help rebuild
lives of thousands of individuals and families
each year. .

Our annual Christmas Appeal raises funds
that enable our volunteers to provide this
essential assistance, 365 days a year.

Boxes will be provided in both churches to
receive donations of gifts and non-perishable
foods

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY TO THE INFIRM

This ministry is in need of more volunteers to
distribute Holy Communion to the Sick and
Aged in their homes, hospitals or nursing
homes. Please phone John Baker 0419 046
147 or Father Vinh 8552 1084.



PSALM FOR 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

I rejoiced when I heard them say:
"Let us go to God's house"
And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem.

It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord.
For Israel's law it is,
there to praise the Lord's name.
There were set the thrones of judgement
of the house of David.

For the peace of Jerusalem pray:
"Peace be to your homes!
May peace reign in your walls,
in your palaces, peace!"

"For the love of my brethren and friends
I say:" Peace be upon you!"
For love of the house of the Lord
I will ask for your good.

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.



PASTORAL CARE WORKER AT PORT ELLIOT PRIMARY SCHOOL

The School's Ministry Group and the South Coast Schools' Ministry Support Group Inc. are seeking applications for a nine hour per week position, commencing 1st Term 2017. This position exists, to offer chaplaincy services to students, staff and the school community. For more information please contact : The Schools' Ministry Group on 8378 6800 Closing day 28th November 2016

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARY MASS

Christine Phillips, Stan Glozenski, Witold Jasinski, Francszak family, Szymansk family, Klimcrak family, Labowski family, Jasinski family, Longworth family, Laura Dyer, Lee family, Burnkam family, Klotz family, Kowaliszyn family, Bosdosh family, Healy & McGurk families, Blacket family, Taylor family, Carvana family, Mezzino family, Morelli family, Mattschoss family, Cheadle family, Mawdsley family, Burdin family, Pattenden family, Owens family, Cullen & Sloans families, Murray and Fudgie families, Northcott & Murray families, Oates & Moran families, Voigt & Temme families, Von Holst & Schaab families, Ryan & Regan families, West family, Cox family.

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER, 1506-1552 Feast Day 3rd December

Francis Xavier had planned to devote himself to the intellectual life, but at a strategic moment he surrendered to God, who had long and patiently pursued him. That surrender changed the course of his life - and the course of history as well. Even [Ignatius of Loyola](#), the leader of the new Jesuit community, had planned to deploy Francis as a scholar. But India beckoned, and Ignatius reluctantly sent Francis to preach the gospel there. Thus, the man who had planned on a leisurely intellectual life became a missionary apostle, perhaps second only to St. Paul.

He preached for 6 months in Africa on his way to Asia where he spent the remainder of his life spreading the Word of God in India, Japan and the Philippines

ST. ANDREW, APOSTLE Feast Day 30th November

As in the case of all the apostles except Peter and John, the Gospels give us little about the holiness of Andrew. He was an apostle. That is enough.



He was called personally by Jesus to proclaim the Good News, to heal with Jesus' power and to share his life and death.

Holiness today is no different. It is a gift that includes a call to be concerned about the Kingdom, an outgoing attitude that wants nothing more than to share the riches of Christ with all people. Little else is said about Andrew in the Gospels. Legend has it that Andrew preached the Good News in what is now modern Greece and Turkey and was crucified at Patras.

THE ADVENT WREATH



The Advent wreath with its four candles symbolises the coming of Christ. During each Sunday of the Advent season, the lighting of the first candle symbolises expectation, while the second symbolises hope, the third joy and the fourth purity. The Christ candle is lit on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day reminding Christians that Jesus is the light of the world.

This Week : 26th & 27th November

VICTOR HARBOR 6pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 R. Randabel-Williamson
R.2 B. Bullen
E.M. D. McLaughlin, R. Kuske

VICTOR HARBOR 11am

Commentator: P. O'Brien

R.1 A. Williss
R.2 W. Baker
E.M. P. Dowd, K. Rucioch, M. Ferguson, J. Baker, R. Reid.

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: Marie Riddle

R.1 L. Healey
R.2 D. Huppertz
E.M. S. Muller, K. Milne, M. Riddle, J. Ryan, M. Ryan



Next Week : 3rd & 4th December

VICTOR HARBOR 6pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 M. Farmer
R.2 V. Wyld
E.M. B. Munday, P. Harris

VICTOR HARBOR 11am

Commentator: E. Temme

R.1 F. Hanna
R.2 P. Chigwidden
E.M. M. Cunningham, M. Ferguson, M. Lloyd, J. Baker, M. Von Holst.

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: P. Burns

R.1 Children
R.2 Children
E.M. T. Siciliano, J. Slagter, A. Turner, D. West, M. Davis.

REGULAR MASS TIMES IN OUR CLUSTER CHURCHES

ALDINGA

*Mary of Galilee, the First Disciple
cnr Quinliven and Howe 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

4th Sunday (Youth Mass) 6.00pm

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 7.00am, 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

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It will be like this when the Son of Man comes. Then of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken, one left.

‘So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of this that if the householder had known at what time of the night the burglar would come, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.’

BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

Today is the first Sunday of Advent, which is also the first Sunday of a new liturgical year for the Church. The Advent season includes the four Sundays that precede Christmas. It is a time of preparation for the coming of the Lord. In this season, we recall two central elements of our faith: the final coming of the Lord in glory and the incarnation of the Lord in the birth of Jesus. Key themes of the Advent season are watchful waiting, preparation, and justice.

In this new liturgical year, the Gospel of Matthew will be the primary Gospel proclaimed (Lectionary Cycle A). In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus speak about the need for wakefulness, for watchful waiting, for the coming of the Son of Man.

Matthew's Gospel is dated by most scholars after 70 A.D. Most believe that Matthew wrote for a primarily Jewish community, but one that was no longer centered on the Temple in Jerusalem. These were Jewish Christians trying to come to terms with their relationship to Judaism in a new situation: Judaism after the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem. There may have been Christians who believed that the events of the world around them gave evidence of the imminent return of the Lord in glory.

The passage from Matthew we read today is rather straightforward. No

one knows the precise time of the coming of the Lord in glory, so watchful waiting and vigilance are required. The passage speaks to the uselessness of looking for signs; there will be none. As a thief sneaks in during the night, so will the Lord's coming in glory be.

The question for us as members of the Christian community, then, is how do we prepare for this? Today's passage speaks more about the manner of waiting, rather than the details of the preparation. Jesus compares the vigilance required of Christians to the vigilance of a homeowner who knows the plans of the thief. If one knows that the thief's action is imminent, one remains watchful. As Christians, we know that our Lord is coming even if we cannot know the precise timing. Jesus calls us to be watchful and vigilant, like the homeowner. If we become lax in our Christian living, we may be caught unprepared.

SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

Advent has a past, present and future dimension. We look back to the events of Bethlehem when Christ first entered the world; we reflect on Christ's presence today and we look forward with joy to the future coming of Christ. Today's Gospel reminds us that we must be ready for that coming.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS (28 November - 4 December)

- **Monday, 28:** Monday, 1st week of Advent (Is 4:2-6; Mt 8:5-11)
- **Tuesday 29:** Tuesday, 1st week of Advent (Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24)
- **Wednesday 30:** St Andrew (Rom 19:9-18; Mt 4:18-22)
- **Thursday 01:** Thursday, 1st week of Advent (Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27)
- **Friday 02:** Friday, 1st week of Advent (Is 29:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27)
- **Saturday 03:** St Francis Xavier (Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35 - 10:1, 6-8)
- **Sunday 04:** SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Is 11:1-10; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12)