



# 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 B**

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## **VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE**

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## **PARISH TEAM CONTACTS**

### **PARISH PRIEST**

Fr Vinh-Quang Tran (8552 1084;  
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### **PARISH MANAGER**

Mr Kevin Rucioch OAM  
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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](mailto: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

(*1<sup>st</sup> 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 Fr Vinh-Quang Tran (8552 1084)

**Celebrate Youth**  
*The Life You're Living*  
YEAR of YOUTH 2018

## **FIRST READING**

*Acts 9:26-31*

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus.

The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Ps 21:26-28, 30-32*

*I will praise you, Lord,  
in the assembly of your people.*

## **SECOND READING**

*1 John 3:18-24*

My children, our love is not to be just words or mere talk, but something real and active; only by this can we be certain that we are the children of the truth and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence, whatever accusations it may raise against us, because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything.

My dear people, if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants.



His commandments are these: that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to.

Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Jn 15:4-5*

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia!*

## **GOSPEL**

*John 15:1-8*

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more. You are pruned already, by means of the word that I have spoken to you. Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing.

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## SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Julie Bradley, Barbara Bond,  
Father John Langtry, Peter Turner,  
Mary & Bob Davis, Donald Telford,  
Angelo Falco, Vicki Sullivan,  
Valerie Londrigan, David Wark,  
Shirley & Ray Harrison,  
Bob Healey, Duncan Kaye,  
John Wallace, Adrian Langtry,  
Judith Murphy, Peter Bohnsack,  
Josephine Proctor, Krys Milne,  
Louise Elliott, Jan Sheehan,  
Eric Temme, Richard Whitbread,  
Jenny Winchester, Patricia Sloan

## ANNIVERSARIES

Sue Tomlinson, Peter Slagter,  
Judy Harrap, Muriel Joraslafsky,  
Mick Maguire, Bill Mullett,  
Kevin Higgins, Graham Nicolson,  
Joan & Brian Kelly.

## PARISH COLLECTION

### 21st & 22nd April

1st (Presbytery)	\$1,005.00
2nd (Parish)	\$1,604.70

## VICTOR MORNING TEA

### 29th April

A. & E. Temme

### 6th & 20th May

L. Sunman, & P. Chigwidden

### 13th May Mothers' Day

No morning tea

## VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

### 28th April

G. Woodhead & H. Sampson

### 5th & 12th May

W. & J Baker & T. Lewis

## VICTOR MEET & GREET

### May Saturdays

M. Farmer, V. Wyld

### May Sundays

H. Sampson, D. Taylor

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

## GOOLWA MORNING TEA

**May** D. Lee, Anke, G. Seah.

## GOOLWA MEET & GREET

**May** P. Kennelly, B. Longworth

## ST JOHN'S CHOIR:

Practice Tuesdays 2.30pm .

Contact Athalea 0438 552 048



# Bulletin Board

## THE HOLY FATHER'S 2018 PRAYER INTENTIONS:

### APRIL : Universal : For those who have Responsibility in Economic Matters.

That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.



## 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.

## CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

We meet for Lectio Divina (Scripture Reflection) and meditation on Monday evenings for 2018. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Anne Weygood for details. 0429 653 844.

## PASTORAL CARE GROUP V.H.

The next meeting will be 12th May 4.30pm in the Annex.

## EXPLORING THE GOSPEL

Deepen your understanding of the Sunday Gospel Sunday in the Annex at 7.00pm. All Welcome.

## THANK YOU TO OUR GIVERS

Thank you to our 115 current givers who commit themselves to our thanksgiving envelopes, direct debit and credit card. We are currently preparing a new set of envelopes to be sent out during June. If you wish to support the parish in our thanksgiving program please phone the Parish Office on 85521084.

## PARISH CENSUS

The Parish Census will take place on the next two weekends.

## ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY WINTER APPEAL

Have you considered answering the call to be a "Good Shepherd" to the poor? Would you consider joining the Society of St Vincent de Paul? Are you interested in joining us in helping others? **If you are unable to join us, you are welcome to help us help others by using the envelopes located on the church pews for a monetary donation.**

## ST JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB

Will hold their next meeting on Tuesday 8th May at 1.30pm in the Annex.

## RELIEF HELP NEEDED.

For the period June to September inclusive, a parishioner's help is needed for the task of topping up the St Joan of Arc kitchen supplies as required; milk, biscuits etc.,. For details contact Peter Sampson 8552 3989



## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

The Parish is looking to hold a Christmas in July Dinner in the Annex at Victor Harbor on Friday 13th July at 6.00pm. It will be a traditional Christmas meal. This will need to be paid for by the week before the dinner. At this stage please place your name and number attending on the lists at the entrances of both Churches. Call Pat Clingan on 0410 593 617 for further information.

## FLEURIEU CANCER SUPPORT

New drivers are needed, as many of our existing drivers go North with the "Grey



Nomads" at this time of the year, or retire when they get their "OBE". You would only be required to drive about once every two weeks and usually to Flinders, Tennyson or RAH. Occasionally to other hospitals. Training would be given. A police clearance and a doctor's certificate are required. We have three modern, comfortable and well maintained vehicles. If you are interested please contact Bevan 0447 062 281

## GOOLWA WINTER WARMER

Advance notice of a 3 course meal in the Goolwa Church Hall on Saturday June 16th. Details to follow.

## CANCER BIGGEST MORNING TEA

at St John's Church on Monday May 21st from 10am. Raffle tickets to support the day available after Mass on Sundays.

## KSC MOTHERS' DAY RAFFLE

15 Bottles of assorted red and white wine for just \$10 a ticket will begin selling at Goolwa this Sunday and the following Sunday at Victor Harbor with the draw at Goolwa after the 9am Mass. Thank you for your support.

## FRIENDSHIP CLUB

This group will be in recession until further notice. Watch this space for further information.



### PSALM FOR 5th SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B

*I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of  
Your people.*

My vows I will pay before those who fear  
Him.

The poor shall eat and have their fill. They  
shall praise the Lord, those who seek Him.  
May their hearts live for ever and ever.

All the earth shall remember and return to  
the Lord,  
all families of the nations worship before  
Him.

They shall worship Him, all the mighty of  
the earth;  
before Him shall bow all who go down in the  
dust.

And my soul shall live for Him, my children  
serve Him.

They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet  
to come,  
declare His faithfulness to peoples yet un-  
born:

'These things the Lord has done'

*I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of  
Your people.*

### ST JOSEPH THE WORKER

**Feast Day 1<sup>st</sup> May.**

**"The Man who raised Jesus"**

Joseph's role as a foster father was not  
easy. His worry and anxiety over the child's  
birthplace, and then, the  
threat on his life, must  
have weighed heavily on  
Joseph's heart.

Missing the child when he  
stayed behind in Jerusa-  
lem at the age of 12  
caused both Mary and  
Joseph to worry. But, evidently, he settled  
in Nazareth and worked at his carpentry  
trade, and was able to supply his family with  
a decent home and living.

As Jesus grew old enough to know the love  
that Joseph and Mary had for each other  
and for him, and to appreciate what his dad  
had taught him about life and carpentry, we  
can just imagine how close was the bond  
between them.

It must have been a hard and sad day when  
Mary and Jesus had to face the death of  
their beloved husband and father.

(Excerpt - Father Don Miller, OFM)

## MAY, THE MONTH OF MARY

Mary, the Mother of  
the Lord, is also our  
Mother. She is a pow-  
erful intercessor. Just  
as her request at the  
Wedding of Cana  
moved the heart of her  
Son, so her interces-  
sion on our behalf  
continues to move His  
Sacred Heart.

Our Marian devotion  
and prayer is a treas-  
ure which leads us, as does all genuine  
Marian devotion, closer to her Son.

Let us show our appreciation of this by  
praying the Rosary half an hour before  
each Mass in both churches.

You may also like to join the Cenacle  
Group which meets each Wednesday at  
St Joan's. "Cenacle" is the name of the  
Upper Room where Jesus' apostles  
gathered together in prayer with Mary at  
Pentecost, and the Holy Spirit descended  
upon them.



### DIOCESAN MARIAN PROCESSION

This will be held at Pilgrim Peace Park at  
2.00pm on Sunday 20th May. Currently  
there is a 24 seat bus available at \$24.00  
per seat. The bus will pick up at Joseph's  
Willunga. If you are interested please ring  
Christine McWilliam on 0451 144 776.

### SAINTS PHILIP & JAMES, APOSTLES

**Feast Day 3<sup>rd</sup> May**

Philip and James were two of Jesus'  
twelve apostles.

Philip was born at Bethsaida, in Galilee  
and was one of the first apostles. When  
Jesus found him and said, "Follow me",  
Philip obeyed immediately.

After Jesus died, Philip travelled to  
Greece and Asia Minor preaching the  
good news of salvation. He was finally  
killed for his faith in Jesus at Hierapolis in  
Phrygia around the year 80.

St. James who was the cousin of Jesus,  
was the son of Alphaeus. After Jesus as-  
cended into heaven, James was made the  
bishop of Jerusalem. St. James was  
thrown down from a pinnacle of the Tem-  
ple in Jerusalem and then beaten to death  
in the year 62.

### This Week : 28th & 29th April

**VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm**

**Commentator:** J. Ryan

**R.1** B. Bullen

**R.2** L. Blacket

**E.M.** P. Harris, E. O'Connell

**VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am**

**Commentator :** E. Temme

**R.1.** F. Hanna

**R.2** J. Tregeagle

**E.M.** M. Lloyd, L. Sunman,  
P.O'Brien, A. Weygood, M.Ferguson.

**GOOLWA 9.00am**

**Commentator:** J. Ryan

**R.1** L. Healey

**R.2** C. May

**E.M.** A. Fawkner, K. Fawkner,  
D. Elliott, L. Elliott, C. Williams.



### Next Week : 5th & 6th May

**VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm**

**Commentator:** E. O'Shaughnessy

**R.1** J. Ryan

**R.2** M. Farmer

**E.M.** D. McLaughlin, S. Duong

**VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am**

**Commentator :** P. O'Brien

**R.1.** A. Rose

**R.2** A. Willis

**E.M.** R. Reid, R. Kuske, K. Howard,  
M. Cunningham, P. Clingan.

**GOOLWA 9.00am**

**Commentator:** P. Burns

**R.1** L. Longworth

**R.2** B. Longworth

**E.M.** M. Glazewski, L. Healey,  
D. Huppatz, J. McInnes, J. McMahon.



## 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  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday 11am (Spanish Mass)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass)  
Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm  
Monday 9.00am  
Tuesday 9.00am  
Wednesday 7.30pm  
Thursday 8.45am (St Luke's)  
Thursday 9.15am (St John's - term time)  
Friday 10.00am

## NORMANVILLE

*St Peter, Cape Jervis Road*  
1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays 10.30am  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays 8.30am  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday 6.00pm

## PARNDANA

2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 2.30pm

## PENNESHAW

*St Columba, North Terrace*  
(shared with Anglicans)  
1<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup>) 9.00am  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday 11.30am

## WILLUNGA

*St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street*  
1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays 8.30am  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays 10.30am  
Wednesday 9.00am  
Thursday 9.00am  
Friday 9.00am

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Anyone who does not remain in me is like a branch that has been thrown away – he withers; these branches are collected and thrown on the fire, and they are burnt. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it. It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit, and then you will be my disciples.'

## 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

Again and again, life's experiences teach us that, as members of the Earth community, we cannot make it on our own. We need one another, other living beings, the sun, the soil, the water and everything else that formed from exploding stars in the distant past. The gospel reading reminds us that as baptised Christians we are not just intimately interlinked but that the source of our unity is the Risen Christ. As limbs and leaves and sap of the same vine, we simply cannot survive in isolation.

The vine image picks up one of the most potent biblical images for God's relationship to the people of Israel. It is an image of life and growth, of colour and vibrancy. It holds the promise of a life-sustaining grape harvest that is ultimately transformed into wine, the biblical symbol for joy. God brought Israel "the vine" out of Egypt (Psalm 80:9). For the prophet Isaiah, Israel is also a vineyard planted and nurtured by God (5:1-7; 27:3). For Jeremiah, Israel is the choice vine "of fully tested stock" planted by God (2:21).

The Johannine Jesus makes the claim: "I am the true vine/vineyard" and God is the "vinegrower". He goes further: "I am the vine/vineyard and you are the branches". The potency of this image resides in the fact that a vine without branches is inconceivable. It draws us into the mystery of the mutual interchange of life between us and the risen Christ, into the mystery of God. It also invites us to acknowledge our interconnection with the whole of the Earth community, to nurture the wonderful biodiversity of our planet, and to accept the inevitability of "pruning" if we are to

"bear fruit" and "become disciples".

"Pruning" can take various forms. A chance encounter, a sudden inspiration, a word from a friend, an unexpected illness, a confronting story: any such experience can bring us to our senses and serve as a "pruning" device. The first reading for today recounts the story of Saul of Tarsus who is "pruned" quite dramatically through his encounter with the Risen Christ on the road to Damascus. He is transformed from persecutor to defender of Christ and Christ's followers. Saul becomes a disciple and "bears much fruit". The Greek-speaking Christian Jews are suspicious, even murderous, when he tries to preach the gospel among them. Peace ensues, however, and the movement takes hold in the regions where Jesus had first preached the gospel. It is worth reflecting on the cultural diversity that characterised earliest Christianity and the tensions that had to be resolved between different language groups or groups of different ethnic origin for the gospel to flourish and bear fruit. John's gospel is written against the backdrop of such "pruning" within the early communities. Sometimes the requisite "pruning" is hearing respectfully a point of view that differs from one's own.

Veronica Lawson RSM

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(30 April - 6 May)

- **Monday, 30:** Monday of the 5<sup>th</sup> week of Easter (Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26)
- **Tuesday, 1:** Tuesday of the 5<sup>th</sup> week of Easter (Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31)
- **Wednesday, 2:** St Athanasius (Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8)
- **Thursday, 3:** Sts Philip and James (1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14)
- **Friday, 4:** Friday of the 5<sup>th</sup> week of Easter (Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17)
- **Saturday, 5:** Saturday of the 5<sup>th</sup> week of Easter (Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21)
- **Sunday 6:** SIXTH SUNDAY of EASTER (Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1 Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17)

## 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).