



Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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



SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Charles Gauci (involved in another ministry in 2017)

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PARISH MANAGER

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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

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159

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



FIRST READING

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'Lord my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its numbers cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this' the Lord said 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 118:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130

Lord, I love your commands.

SECOND READING

Romans 8:28-30

We know that by turning everything to their good, God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those that he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 13:44-52

Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.'

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is

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SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Julie Bradley, Barbara Bond,
Father John Langtry, Rosemary
Powell, Patricia Sloan, 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.

ANNIVESARIES

Craig Sampson, Eric Powditch,
Bryan Constable, Eunice & John
Taylor.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Bob Piper, Harry Hoder,
Maria Beltrame, Claire O'Driscoll,
Doris Calleja, Jim McPherson,
Anna Schubert,

PARISH COLLECTION 15th & 16th July

1st (Presbytery) \$962.20
2nd (Parish) \$1,461.20

VICTOR MORNING TEA ROSTER

July 23rd & 30th
L. Sunman, P. Chigwidden

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER July 21st

R. Reid, B. Murray

VICTOR MEET & GREET July Saturdays

L. & M. Peake & M. Farmer

July Sundays

R. & J. Randabel-Williamson

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

GOOLWA MORNING TEA ROSTER

July M. Freeborn, A. Fawknor,
L. Elliott, Irene T.

GOOLWA MEET & GREET July

M. Davis, J. McInnes

ST. JOHN'S CHOIR:

Practice Tuesdays 3.00pm .
Contact: Athalea 8555 2165



Bulletin Board

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2017 PRAYER

INTENTIONS: JULY – Lapsed Christians.

*That our brothers and sisters who have
strayed from the faith, through our prayers
and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover
the merciful closeness of the Lord and the
beauty of Christian life..*

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 infor-
mation. 0402 341 071.

CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

We meet for Lectio Divina (Scripture Reflec-
tion) and meditation on Monday evenings for
2017. Anyone is welcome. Please contact
Anne Weygood for details. 0429 653 844

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The next meeting will be held on Thursday
27th July after 9.00am Mass at Victor Harbor.
New members welcome.

PRAYER GROUP (Retreat in Daily Life)

The prayer group will take place on Monday
24th July in the Annex at 2.00pm.

AUSTRALIA'S LARGEST CLIMATE PETITION TO FEDERAL MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

You are encouraged today to sign this petition
which is at the entrance of both churches,
until the end of July.

MARITIME BOUNDARY PETITION

There is a petition at both entrances of St.
Joan's Church requesting the Government to
finalise as soon as possible a fair and perma-
nent maritime boundary between Australia
and Timor-Leste.

NAME TAGS

You are encouraged to wear name tags at
Church so that we can recognise and relate to
each other . The Parish Pastoral Council
also recommends that we have a "Visitor"
name tag which will help us to welcome
visitors.

PARISH BARBEQUE

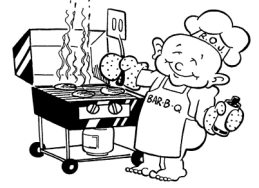
**St Joan's Social Club BBQ Tea will be held
at St Joan's Annex
on Friday 28th July
5.30pm for 6.00pm
\$6.00 per person.**

**Please bring along a
salad, sweet and BYO
drinks.**

ALSO BRING A FRIEND.

Phone Margaret Peake on 8552 7162

Patrine Harris on 8554 3061.



VINNIES' SHED CLEARANCE

The shed will be open Saturday mornings
10am – Noon.

You may be interested in browsing through the
many good items of furniture etc. and purchas-
ing with a donation to the St Vincent de Paul
Society.

The shed is located behind St Joan's Church.
Contact - John on 0419 046 147

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THIS WEEK

A special collection will be taken up this week-
end for the Apostleship of the Sea.

The Apostleship of the Sea is the Catholic
Church's Missionary work to the Seafarers
whether they be on merchant, passenger, war
or fishing vessels. While the Church has always
been interested in Seafar-
ers since Christ first gath-
ered his fishermen -
disciples around him, the
modern movement began
in the 1890s with several
isolated and independent
beginnings. The purpose
of the Apostleship of the
Sea is to care for the Spir-

itual, Social, and Material welfare of all Seafar-
ers regardless colour, race or creed. This year's
theme is "*In the midst of the storm*", highlighting
the mental vulnerabilities of seafarers on the
ocean.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS LIST

Recently names have been added to this list
without the permission of the person concerned.
Please do not ask for names to be added with-
out asking permission of the person to be
included on the list.





PSALM FOR 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

Lord, You are good and forgiving.

O Lord, You are good and forgiving,
full of love to all who call.

Give heed O lord, to my prayer
and attend to the sound of my voice.

All the nations shall come to adore You
and glorify Your name, O Lord:
for You are great and do marvellous
deeds, You Who are alone are God.

But You, God of mercy and compassion,
slow to anger, O Lord,
abounding in love and truth,
turn and take pity on me.

Lord, You are good and forgiving.

ST SHARBEL MAKHLUR

Feast Day 24th July (1828 – 1898)



Although this saint
never travelled far
from the Lebanese
village of Beka-Kafra
where he was born,
his influence has
spread widely.

John Paul II often said

that the Church has two lungs—East and
West—and it must learn to breathe using
both of them.

Remembering saints like Sharbel helps
the Church to appreciate both the diver-
sity and unity present in the Catholic
Church. As our prayer life becomes
deeper and more honest, we become
more ready to make that generous re-
sponse. *(Excerpt: Franciscan media)*

A PRAYER FOR ALL AGES

*God of all creation, you are timeless and
beyond all ages.*

We who are growing old pray for good
health in our later years,
and forbearance when
our health fails us.

We who are not yet old
pray for good health

for those we love and
compassion towards those who suffer ill
health. *(Excerpt: Australian Bishops'
Conference)*



ST JAMES, APOSTLE

Feast Day 25th July

James was the son of Zebedee and
Salome and the brother of St. John the
Apostle. Fishermen like their father, James
and John were on their father's boat mending
his nets when the Lord passed by. Jesus
called James and John, and asked them to
follow him.



Along with Peter
and his brother
John, James was
part of the inner
circle of Jesus,
who witnessed the

Transfiguration, were witnesses to certain of
His miracles, like the raising of the daughter
of Jairus, and accompanied Him to the
Garden of Gethsemane.

STS JOACHIM and ANNE

Feast Day 26th July

Parents of Mary: Grandparents of Jesus

It was in the home of Joachim and Anne
where the Virgin Mary received her training
to be the Mother of God. Thus, devotion to
Ann and Joachim is an extension of the
affection Christians have always professed
toward our Blessed Mother. We, too, owe a
debt of gratitude to our parents for their help
in our Christian formation.



Happy Grandparents' Day Wednesday 26th July

COMING KSC EVENTS:

Our next wine raffle will be held leading up to
Father's Day.

The annual luncheon
will be held at the
Middleton Tavern on
Thursday 21st Sep-
tember. Our guest
speaker will be Brian
Ferrari. More details
soon.



QUOTABLE QUOTES

**“ Four things that never return :
The spoken word; the spent
arrow; time past; lost opportunity”**

MASS ROSTER

This Week : July 22nd & 23rd

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 J. Ryan

R.2 V. Wyld

E.M. R. Powell, P. Harris

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : K. Howard

R. 1 T. Hounslow

R.2 M. Ferguson

E.M. M. Cunningham, K. Rucioch,
M. Lloyd, P.O'Brien, V. Salmon

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: A. Fawkner

R.1 R. Lee

R.2 C. May

E.M. L. Elliott, D. Elliott, K. Fawkner,
M. Glazewski, L. Healey



Next Week : July 29nd & 30th

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: B. Munday

R.1 C. Sutherland

R.2 B. Bullen

E.M. D. McLaughlin, R. Kuske

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : P. O'Brien

R. 1 A. Willis

R.2 T. Hounslow

E.M. A. Weygood, K. Rucioch,
M. Ferguson, R. Reid, I. Reid.

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: K. Fawkner

R.1 D. McMahon

R.2 J. McMahon

E.M. B. Longworth, J. McInnes,
S. Muller, K. Milne, C. May.

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 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

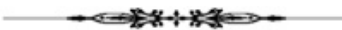
St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street
1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 8.30am
2nd, 4th Sundays 10.30am
Wednesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am
Friday 9.00am

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like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.

‘Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.

‘Have you understood all this?’ They said, ‘Yes.’ And he said to them, ‘Well then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old.’



EXPLORING THE WORD

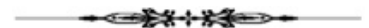
Jesus continues to convey his teaching about the kingdom using the imagery of everyday life. Pearls were highly valued in the Near East and were regarded as a symbol of wisdom—thus the saying ‘pearls of wisdom’. In the first two of these parables, the protagonists commit everything they own to acquiring what is beyond price. According to Jesus, the kingdom is worth the sacrifice of everything we value most to gain a place in it.

The parable of the dragnet tells us something more of the kingdom. There will be those who have not recognised its value and are unworthy of the kingdom. However, it is not for people to judge who is worthy and who is not. That belongs to God. Jesus is very concerned that his followers clearly understand his message and he questions them directly: ‘Do you understand all this?’ There must be no confusion over the meaning of the gospel!

Matthew stresses that believing in Christ does not mean a total rejection of Judaism. Indeed, both the old and the new have value. Jesus did not come to overturn the Law but to fulfil it and those who

DID YOU KNOW?

- In ancient times people often buried their treasures as they fled from enemies or invaders. Sometimes their owners may return to recover the treasure but often it remained buried for many years. Among priceless discoveries of treasure buried as the owners fled invaders are the Dead Sea Scrolls, hidden from the Roman Army in the late first century.
- A scribe in the ancient world was someone who could read and write and often held government positions. At the time of Jesus, the scribes were influential teachers of the Jewish faith, well versed in Scripture and the Law.
- The householder who brings out things both old and new may be a reference to people like Matthew himself, who, as well as receiving the teachings of Jesus and believing in him, also retain a profound respect for the Law and traditions of Judaism.
- The blazing furnace referred to here is the place of eternal punishment for the wicked known by the Hebrew terms Sheol or Gehenna. Hell is the English word used to translate these terms.



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(31 July - 6 August)

- **Monday, 31:** St Ignatius of Loyola (Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Mt 13:31-35)
- **Tuesday, 1:** St Alphonsus Liguori (Ex 33:7-11; 34:5-9, 28; Mt 13:36-43)
- **Wednesday, 2:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 17 (Ex 34:29-35; Mt 13:44-46)
- **Thursday, 3:** St Dominic (Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Mt 13:47-53)
- **Friday, 4:** St John Vianney (Lev 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34-37; Mt 13:54-58)
- **Saturday, 5:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 17 (Lev 25:1, 8-17; Mt 14:1-12)
- **Sunday 6:** The Transfiguration of the Lord (Dan 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pet 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9)