



# Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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**THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD - YEAR C**

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## **PARISH TEAM CONTACTS**

### **• PARISH PRIEST**

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### **• PARISH MANAGERS**

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### **• PARISH NEWSLETTER**

Please forward items for the newsletter to the Parish Office - ph 8552 1084 or [catholicvhg@bigpond.com](mailto:catholicvhg@bigpond.com)  
(All items for the newsletter must be received no later than Wednesday evening)

### **• PARISH TREASURER**

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## **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

RECONCILIATION

Sunday 8.30am - 8.50am

## **CHILD PROTECTION**

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159  
Ian Reid (8552 4329)



## **VIGIL MASS**

(celebrated during the afternoon  
or evening of 24<sup>th</sup> December)

## **FIRST READING**

**Isaiah 62:1-5**

God's grace brings about the conversion of his unfaithful people. With a new-found integrity they (and we) will be called by a new name, and their relationship (and ours) with God will lead to an intimacy beyond their (and our) wildest imaginings. God will rejoice in them (and us).

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.*

## **SECOND READING**

**Acts 13:16-17, 22-25**

Paul introduces the Jews and non-Jewish believers in the God of Israel to the new thing that God has done for them in Jesus, whom he has raised up for them as Saviour.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Tomorrow the wickedness of the earth will be destroyed: the Saviour of the world will be our king.*  
*Alleluia!*

## **GOSPEL**

**Matthew 1:1-25**

This reading from the beginning of Matthew's Gospel reminds us of the

mortality and even the sin the Son of God took on himself in becoming one of us, through his birth from the Virgin Mary, in order to save his people from their sins and restore us to God's friendship.

## **MIDNIGHT MASS**

(Celebrated at midnight on 24<sup>th</sup> Dec)

## **FIRST READING**

**Isaiah 9:1-7**

Light shines in the darkness and overcomes it, because a child is born for us, a son given to us, and his name is Wonder-Counsellor, Mighty-God, Eternal-Father Prince-of-Peace.

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord.*

## **SECOND READING**

**Titus 2:11-14**

God's grace, given in his Son, has made salvation possible for the whole human race. This Son sacrificed himself to set us free from all wickedness, so that our sole ambition might be to do good.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Good News and great joy to all the world: today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord.*  
*Alleluia!*

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## CLUSTER CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR MASS TIMES

### KANGAROO ISLAND PARISH

#### • Christmas Eve •

4.00pm - Penneshaw

7.30pm - Kingscote

#### • Christmas Day •

8.30am - Kingscote

### NOARLUNGA/SEAFORD PARISH

#### • Christmas Eve •

7.30pm - Seaford

6.00pm - Noarlunga

Midnight - Noarlunga

#### • Christmas Day •

9.00am - Noarlunga

#### • New Year's Day •

9.00am - Noarlunga

### VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA PARISH

#### • Christmas Eve •

5.30pm - Goolwa

7.00pm - Victor Harbor

#### • Christmas Day •

8.30am - Victor Harbor

10.00am - Goolwa

#### • New Year's Day •

8.30am - Victor Harbor

10.00am - Goolwa

### WILLUNGA PARISH

#### • Christmas Eve •

4.00pm - Normanville

6.30pm - Aldinga

7.00pm - Willunga (Family)

Midnight - Willunga

#### • Christmas Day •

9.00am - Normanville

9.00am - Willunga

#### • New Year's Day •

9.00am - Willunga

9.00am - Normanville

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## GOSPEL

### Luke 2:1-14

In an out-of-the-way little town in Judea, a child is born. He is announced by angels to nearby shepherds as the Christ of the Lord, and the sign confirming this is a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. An early example of "God's Easter methods".

## CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

(Celebrated during  
the day of 25<sup>th</sup> December)

## FIRST READING

### Isaiah 52:7-10

The Prophet proclaims good news to the disheartened people of Judah and Jerusalem - their God has not abandoned them, but is coming to save them. Good news to us too - God's salvation is for all peoples.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*All the ends of the earth have seen  
the saving power of God.*

## SECOND READING

### Hebrews 1:1-6

God spoke his word through his prophets and in various ways. Now he speaks to us through his Son, who is the radiant light of God's glory. He has veiled that glory with our humanity so that we can prepare by lives of faith for the full revelation of that glory in Heaven.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*A holy day has dawned upon us.  
Come, you nations and adore the  
Lord. Today a great light has come  
upon the earth.  
Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

### John 1:1-18

The gospel passage encourages us to ponder reverently the mystery of the Word who was with God in the beginning, who was God, and who became man in Jesus and dwelt among us.

## CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM FR VINH

Welcome to our Parish. It is great to have you and your family celebrating Christmas with us.

In our Parish our dream/vision is to enter into a dynamic and loving relation with the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

During Christmas, we focus on our own personal relationship with Jesus, the Saviour of the World. We want all parishioners and visitors to experience and enter into this special relationship.

Many blessings on you and your family at this special time.

*God bless,*



*Fr Vinh-Quang Tran*

## CHRISTMAS QUOTES

*Christmas gift suggestions: To your enemy, forgiveness. To an opponent, tolerance. To a friend, your heart. To a customer, service. To all, charity. To every child, a good example. To yourself, respect.* --- Oren Arnold

*Jesus is God's perfect, indescribable gift. The amazing thing is that not only are we able to receive this gift, but we are able to share it with others on Christmas and every other day of the year.* --- Joel Osteen



*May joy be your  
gift at Christmas  
and may faith,  
hope and love be  
your treasures in  
the New Year.*