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VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of the LORD - YEAR A

A living, vibrant faith community

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VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT

OUR VISION:

To build a faith community centred on the loving relationship of Father, Son and Holy Spirit, expressed in personal lives and communal parish activities.

OUR MISSION IS TO:

- Develop relevant and prayerful Eucharistic celebrations
- Foster the experience of a personal relationship with God
- Provide Faith Formation opportunities
- Care for each other particularly the sick, lonely, aged and disabled
- Witness to God's love for our earthly common home and all its creatures that abound

WE WILL:

- · Reach out to those in need
- Be committed to Catholic Social Justice principles
- Pray and work together with Christian Churches and all people of goodwill
- Engage with young people
- Care for our environment towards a sustainable future
- Strengthen bonds with First Nation peoples



MASS TIMES

VICTOR HARBOR

Weekend - Saturday 6.00pm; Sunday 11.00am. Weekdays - Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9.00am

• GOOLWA

Weekend - Sunday 9.00am. Weekday - Wednesday 9.30am

RECONCILIATION

St Joan's, Victor Harbor - Saturday 11am - 11.30am, or by appointment.



GOSPEL

(Read at the procession before Mass)

Matthew 21:1-11

When they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, "The Lord has need of them," and he will send them immediately'. This took place to fulfil what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

'Tell the daughter of Zion, Behold, your king is coming to you, humble and mounted on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of an ass'.

The disciples went and did as Jesus directed them; they brought the ass and the colt, and put their garments on them, and he sat thereon. Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him shouted.

'Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!'

And when he entered Jerusalem all the city was stirred, saying, 'Who is this?' And the crowds said, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth of Galilee'.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:6-11

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross.

But God raised him high and gave

But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the

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SPECIAL INTENTIONS (These names will be removed after one month. To keep names on this list please contact Parish Office)

John Wallace, Claire Hamish, Bob Willis, Jeffery Family, Bailey Smallacombe, Ann Tee, Charlie Nicolson, Paula Collinson, Jane Lloyd, Eileen McCoey, Len Peake, Ron & Patrine Harris, Vin Slattery, Neil Cumming, Clancy Retallick,

Ann Hannagan, Mollie Davis,
Jutta Millar, Cath Howard,
Keith Fawkner, Trudi McNamara,
Elizabeth Nance, Allen Odgers,
Jan Henderson.

ANNIVERSARIES

Kevin Higgins

RECENTLY DECEASED

Kevin Hannagan.

PARISH COLLECTION 25th & 26th March 2023

1st (Presbytery) \$ 840.90 2nd Parish \$1,295.00

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER 31st March

W. & J. Baker & F. Hanna 7th & 14th April

M. Farmer & C. Pearsons

VICTOR MORNING TEA 2nd April

L. Sunman & P. Chigwidden

VICTOR MEET & GREET April Saturday

M. Farmer & E. O'Connell

April Sunday

M. Cunningham & A. Rose

GOOLWA MEET & GREET April

J. McInnes

MORNING TEA

April

T. Siciliano, R. Lee, J. Dunthorne

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice time 2pm Wednesday Call Claire Williams 0429 008 199



THE HOLY FATHER'S 2023 PRAYER

INTENTIONS April: For a culture of peace and non violence

We pray for the spread of peace and non violence, by

decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

PALM / PASSION SUNDAY



Every day, more than 200 million children miss out on school,

around 690 million people go hungry and 2.2 billion people cannot access clean drinking water.

Thank you for your continued support for Project Compassion – past, present and future. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow

For All Future Generations.

GIFT TO COMORO

One dozen soccer balls donated by parishioners and friends will travel with Mark Leaney to Timor-Leste in April.

Timor-Leste in April.

The company supplying

the balls (Modern Teaching Aids) donated \$100. The balls will provide an immense boost to many children.

PALM SUNDAY PEACE MARCH

Sunday 2 April 2022

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Tarntanyangga (Victoria Square).



We may not be able to attend the March in person but we can pray for the intentions of the March:

This year the theme of the walk is Justice for Refugees

While 19,000 refugees have recently received Permanent Visas there are *still* 12,000 on *Bridging Visas*. These receive little or no income support, many are prevented from going to university, some have no work rights and all are separated from their families. These people are suffering, as are those still in immigration detention or on Nauru and PNG.

www.refugeeaction.org

EASTER TIMETABLE HOLY THURSDAY

Goolwa: 6pm Victor: 7.30pm GOOD FRIDAY

Goolwa

Stations: 10.00am

Good Friday Service: 4.00pm

Victor

Good Friday Service: 2.00pm

EASTER VIGIL
Goolwa 6.00pm
Victor 8.00pm
EASTER SUNDAY

Goolwa: 9.00am **Victor:** 11.00am

DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS SUNDAY 2ND APRIL 2023



Remember to *TURN BACK* your clocks *ONE* hour early on Sunday morning, 2nd April 2023.

EASTER SUNRISE

Goolwa Interchurch Group presents the Easter Sunrise Service at 6.15 am at Goolwa Aquatic



Club, Barrage Rd., Goolwa.

There will be song, prayer and a talk from Minister Naomi of the Uniting Church. The service usually last half an hour or so and concludes with a fish breakfast.

HELP NEEDED AT GOOLWA

On Wednesday April 5 after the 9.30 Mass the chairs will come out and the Church opened up for the expected crowd for the Easter weekend services. Any help will be appreciated.

KNIGHTS of the SOUTHERN CROSS BBQ THIS SUNDAY AFTER 9 AM MASS. THANKS IN ANTICIPATION FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

THE SOUTHERN CROSS EASTER EDITION

The April/Easter edition is being inserted in *The Advertiser* on Saturday April 1 and will also be delivered to parishes this week for free distribution at Mass centres. So be sure to collect your free Southern Cross. Always informative reading.





PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of the LORD, Yr. A

My God, my God, why have You abandoned me?

*** All who see me deride me.

They curl their lips, they toss their heads.
'He trusted in the Lord, let Him save him:
let Him release him if this is his friend.'

*** Many dogs have surrounded me,
a band of the wicked beset me.
They divide my clothing among them.
They cast lots for my robe.
O Lord, do not leave me alone,
my strength, make haste to help me!

*** I will tell of Your name to my brethren
and praise You where they are
assembled.

'You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give Him glory.
Revere him, Israel's sons.'



PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of the LORD



Today we commemorate Christ's entry into Jerusalem for the completion of the Paschal Mystery. In the Liturgical Calendar

preceding Vatican II, the Church celebrated Passion Sunday two Sundays before Easter, and then Palm Sunday was the beginning of Holy Week. The Church has combined the two to reinforce the solemnity of Holy Week.

The Palm Sunday procession is formed of Christians who, in the "fullness of faith," make their own the gesture of the Jews and endow it with its full significance. Following the Jews' example we proclaim Christ as a Victor... Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord.

But by our faith we know, as they did not, all that His triumph stands for. He is the Messiah, the Son of David and the Son of God ... He underwent His Passion, the punishment for our sins, but issues forth triumphant from the tomb, the victor over death, making our peace with God and taking us with Him into the kingdom of His Father in heaven. *Catholic Culture*

BE A GOOD EGG THIS EASTER

The bitter truth behind Australia's sweet Easter chocolate is that much of it reaches our shelves at the cost of a child's health, education, and freedom. A 2020 Macquarie University report found that more than two million children under the age of 15 years old – some as young as 5 – work in the cocoa industry in the Ivory Coast and Ghana. Many are the children of farm labourers, but others are also sold to farms as bonded labourers from neighbouring countries. Many of these children live in extreme poverty, making them vulnerable to exploitation and the gruelling, hazardous conditions of forced labour. There is a way to change this by purchasing Fairtrade and Rainforest Alliance branded chocolate this Easter. More information: https:// acrath.org.au/take-action/chocolate/

A WELL-DESERVED THANK YOU

We have a number of great volunteers who keep the church organised and running well at Goolwa, but we would like to thank two of our long term members.

Joy McInnes with her late husband Peter, has been involved in most things in the parish and still reads at our Wednesday Mass and reads very well.

Lenny Longworth, also with her late husband Bill, has been a committed member of the Parish for many years, and now leads our Wednesday rosary group.

To both ladies a big thank you, and to all who give their time to St. John's.

Family Reunion Atkins and Byrnes families

Reunion of two of Goolwa's oldest families
The Atkins and Byrnes

Sunday 23 April 2023 at the Goolwa

Bowls Club

RSVP Mike Gilmour
mgilmour92@gmail.com

Or mobile 0416 185 153

PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE



EASTER ROSTERS HOLY THURSDAY

Goolwa: 6.00pm

Commentator: V. Scriva
Readers: C. May, M. Mulvihill
EMHC: R. Austin

Victor: 7.30pm

Commentator: L. Blacket

Readers: C. Huppatz, K. Proctor

EMHC: M. Farmer

GOOD FRIDAY

Goolwa

Stations: 10.00am

Good Friday Service: 4.00pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

Readers: E. Bourne, L. Healey Passion: Marie Riddle, D. Huppatz

EMHC: R. Austin

Victor

Good Friday Service: 2.00pm

Commentator: J. Ryan Reader 1: T. Hounslow

Passion: R. Klecko, K. Dudley

EMHC: E. O'Connell

EASTER VIGIL

Goolwa 6.00pm

Commentator: Marie Riddle Readers: Michael Riddle, V. Scriva

C. May, R. Lee

EMHC: M. Ryan *Victor* 8.00pm

Commentator: L. Blacket Readers: L. Sunman,

E. O'Shaughnessy,C. Huppatz, J. Ryan

EMHC: P. O'Brien

EASTER SUNDAY

Goolwa: 9.00am

Commentator: D. Huppatz Readers: L. Healey, E. Bourne

EMHC: S. Muller *Victor:* 11.00am

Commentator: R. Klecko Readers: K. Dudley, K. Proctor

EMHC: P. Clingan

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

Please forward items for the newsletter to the Parish Office - 8552 1084, catholicvhg@bigpond.com (All items for the newsletter by Wednesday evening)

PARISH TREASURER

Mr Merv Mallett (0412 103 443) Email: <u>parish_treasure@bigpond.com</u>

CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit (8210 8159) Goolwa (Cathy May 0401 584 237) Victor Harbor (Office 8552 1084)

• CSHW SA (Safety, Health, Welfare) Cathy May (0401 584 237)



COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 01/04/23)

- If you have tested positive for COVID-19, please stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- Wearing of face-masks in Church is recommended.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home.
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances.
- Communion is given only in hands. Precious Blood will not be distributed.

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heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Phil 2:8-9

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

GOSPEL

Matthew 26:14-27:66

(Heavily abridged)

The Passion of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

From the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour, Jesus cried out in a loud voice, 'Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani', that is, "My God, my God, why have you deserted me?" ...But Jesus, again crying out in a loud voice, yielded up his spirit.

At that, the veil of the Temple was torn in two from top to bottom ... Meanwhile the centurion, together with the others guarding Jesus, had seen the earthquake and all that was taking place, and they were terrified and said, 'In truth this was a son of God'. And many were there watching from a distance, the same women who had followed Jesus from Galilee and looked after him. Among them were Mary of Magdala, Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of Zebedee's sons.

When it was evening there came a rich man of Arimathaea, called Joseph, who had himself become a disciple of Jesus. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Pilate thereupon ordered it to be handed over ...



I WANT TO BE LIKE CHRIST

To me, the whole point of being a Christian is so that I will never have to stand on the side of Jesus' torturers. If I am true to my faith, then such depravity and inhumanity will be impossible for me. If I follow Jesus' way of love, then I will never be in Pilate's camp, washing my hands of one I know to be innocent. Caiphas and the high priests, with their cowardice and powermongering, will not be part of my coterie, either. No good people will get sold down the river by me – if I choose to follow Christ.

That's a big if, or course. I fear that without vigilance, I could become one of these dealers in death. We may all be capable of such extreme acts of $\sin - \sinh \alpha$ forturers in prisons since the beginning of time. If we constantly and consistently choose to deny God's loving presence in our lives, we will become our own worst enemies.

So I am committed to keeping God before me and taking up my cross each day. It's true that by following Jesus, I must bear ridicule, swallow my pride, go against the status quo, fight social injustice, show extreme mercy, and, all in all, do things that do not come easy to me. But, the good news is: I will save my soul in the process. Better that than losing my soul, which, as Jesus showed is, is a fate worse than death – even death on a cross.

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(03 - 09 April)

- *Monday, 03:* Monday of Holy Week (Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11)
- *Tuesday, 04:* Tuesday of Holy Week (Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38)
- *Wednesday, 05:* Wednesday of Holy Week (Is 50:4-9; Mt 26:14-25)
- *Thursday, 06:* HOLY THURSDAY readings
- Friday, 07: GOOD FRIDAY readings
- Saturday, 08: HOLY SATURDAY readings
- *Sunday 09:* SUNDAY of the RESURRECTION (Acts 10:34, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9)

PASTORAL CARE

If you need a priest for anointing prior to medical treatment or if you are ill (not necessarily life-threatening) or for last rites please contact: (08) 8552 1084 or in an emergency 0429 098 802.