



# Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

18<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY  
TIME - YEAR B

*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.



### FIRST READING

*Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15*

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our heart's content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!'

Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them in this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.

'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your heart's content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God."

And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 77:3-4, 23-25, 54*

*The Lord gave them bread from  
heaven.*

### SECOND READING

*Ephesians 4:17, 20-24*

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Mt 4:4*

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*No one lives on bread alone,  
but on every word that comes from the  
mouth of God.*

*Alleluia!*

### GOSPEL

*John 6:24-35*

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?'

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## Bulletin Board

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

John Wallace, Claire Hamish, Jeffery Family, Natalie Millar, Ann Tee, Bailey Smallacombe, Charlie Nicolson, Jane Lloyd, Geoff Munro, Eileen McCoe, Len Peake, Neil Cumming, Clancy Retallick, Mollie Davis, David Lee, Evelyn Liston, Ann Hannagan, Cath Howard, Trudi McNamara, Allen Odgers, Elizabeth Nance, J. Millar, Rose Munro, Andrew Nichols, John Slagter, William Ash, Eloise Ash, Gavin Schumacher, Jim Ryan, Leonie Hassan, Fr Vinh Tran, John Tregeagle, Mairead Cummings, Maire Ryan, Greg Hope

### PARISH COLLECTION 27th & 28th July

1st (Presbytery) \$1,083.95  
2nd (Parish) \$1,079.80

### VICTOR MORNING TEA 4th August

L. Sunman & P. Chigwidden  
11th August  
A. Temme, & M. Chalmers

### VICTOR MEET & GREET August Saturdays

M. Farmer & H. Anderson  
August Sundays  
R. Reid & L. Sunman

### GOOLWA MEET & GREET August M. O'Halloran

### MORNING TEA

August T. Curtis, E. Bourne, B. Hallion.

### ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice 3.00pm Wednesday.  
Claire Williams 0429 008 199

### HOLY FATHER'S 2024 PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST:

#### FOR POLITICAL LEADERS

Let us pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and the common good, taking care of those who have lost their jobs and giving priority to the poor.



### THE CENACLE

You are invited to join us in The Cenacle held every Wednesday at 9.30am in St Joan of Arc Church. We start by praying the Rosary, reading, meditating and reflecting on one of the messages given to Father Gobbi by Mary our Mother and making an act of consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.  
Gemma Woodhead 0492 849 414

### ROOM FOR RENT

A parishioner has a room available for rent in Leworthy Street, Victor Harbor. If you are interested please call 0477 366 635.

### GOOLWA GARDEN DAY THIS TUESDAY

9.30 to 11.30am at Goolwa Church.

**We could do with more helpers so please see Tony at the church who will give you details.**

### KSC BBQ AFTER MASS at GOOLWA THIS SUNDAY



If a little cold it will be served from the kitchen, otherwise still out the front in the usual spot. We thank you for your support.

### BOMBING OF HIROSHIMA AND NAGASAKI

This week on 6th and 9th August we remember these two bombings at the end of World War II.

*Dear God, we come to you  
from the midst of a broken world where nations  
raise weapons against nations  
and mothers and children are the  
innocent victims of violence.*

*We pray that you would inspire us to create a  
peaceful world.*

*Help us call our leaders to accountability and to  
remind them that more weapons and war do  
not bring peace.*

*Make us a peaceful people  
in a peaceful world.*

### DON'T FORGET!!!

### SOUTH COAST CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY CARE (SCCCC):

**Invitation: Donate  
non-perishable food to  
locals in need.**



You are invited to donate non-perishable food to Open Door, Goolwa and South Coast Christian Community Care (SCCCC), Victor Harbor who provide food to people in need. Donation boxes will be in our churches  
**20-21st July, 27-28th July,  
3-4th August.**

### PREFERRED ITEMS ARE:

full cream long life milk, pasta (no lasagne sheets), pasta sauce, jams, vegemite, peanut butter, tinned soup, ring top stews, cereals (no oats), tinned peas, corn, green beans, carrots, potatoes & tomatoes; cans of tuna, rice, 2 minute noodles, tinned spaghetti & baked beans, tinned fruit, coffee, sugar, biscuits, & snack food for children. Shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant & toilet paper appreciated. Thank you!

### BLESSING OF MILESTONE WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Once again there is a special blessing in September for couples celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries this year, for example an '0' or a '5' anniversary.



Or there might be a personal reason to have a special blessing on your anniversary.

**Please contact Fran Hanna by  
Sunday 21st August by phone  
0415 124 010 or by email.**

[fran.hanna@bigpond.com](mailto:fran.hanna@bigpond.com)

### KNIGHTS of the SOUTHERN CROSS WINE RAFFLE FOR FATHER'S DAY NOW OPEN

Our box this year has 15 bottles of Premium Reds plus 3 bonus bottles of Chapel Hill Chardonnay.

Tickets are \$10 each with book of 35 available at each Mass Centre. See:



Des Wallace (OBE) Victor and Mike O'Halloran (getting closer to OBE honours) Goolwa.

The draw will be on Father's Day September 1st unless sold beforehand.



**PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF  
UKRAINE AND THE HOLY LAND**



# Bulletin Board



## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

18th SUNDAY in ORD. TIME, YR.B-2

*The Lord gave them bread from heaven.*

The things we have heard and understood,  
the things our fathers have told us,  
we will tell to the next generation:  
the glories of the Lord and His might.

He commanded the clouds above  
and opened the gates of heaven.  
He rained down manna for their food,  
and gave them bread from heaven.

Mere men ate the bread of angels.  
He sent them abundance of food.  
He brought them to His holy land,  
to the mountain which His right hand had  
won.



## SAINT MARY OF THE CROSS

**Feast Day 8th August  
(1842 – 1909)**

As a young woman Mary MacKillop was drawn to religious life but could not find an order that met her needs. In 1860, she met Father Julian Woods, who became her spiritual director. Together they founded a new community of women - the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Sacred Heart, also known as the Josephite Sisters.



Mary and her Sisters offered social services that few government agencies in Australia could. They served Protestants and Catholics alike; worked among aborigines, taught in schools and orphanages and served unmarried mothers. She suffered many financial and clerical difficulties, including at one point ex-communication (later rescinded). In the end, Rome proved Mary's best source of support. Official approval of the congregation—and how it was to be governed—came from Pope Leo XIII.

Mary died at 67. Pope John Paul II beatified her in 1995. When she was canonised by Pope Benedict XVI in 2010, she became Australia's first saint. *Franciscan Media*

## LOCAL HERO

Jodie Clark has quite possibly the toughest job in the world. As head of the Rafah border crossing between Egypt and Gaza, she is responsible for getting desperately needed food, medicine, fuel and other supplies to more than 2 million Palestinians. The South Australian woman and Sacred Heart College old scholar spent 21 years in the Australian Army before working for humanitarian agencies around the world, including Iraq and Afghanistan. But she says the situation in Gaza is "by far" the worst she's seen and "beyond imaginable". *Read her full story in this month's Southern Cross now in the foyer.*

## VOCATIONS APPEAL NEXT WEEKEND

All of us have a vocation – whether as single people or married people, priests, deacons or religious.

This Sunday we are drawing your attention to the vocation of priest and deacon and the need to support those who are preparing for these important roles.

*Next Sunday there will be an appeal to support those in the Archdiocese who are studying to be priests and deacons.*

Our prayers are with them and with Father Dean Marin who as well as being our Vicar General is the Director of the Vocations Team.

## PARISH MAINTENANCE

Parishioners are requested to report any maintenance and OH&S issues as they are identified, by writing them in the Maintenance Request Book located on the table in the porch at Victor Harbor and in the foyer at Goolwa.

We are very fortunate to have men within the parish volunteering their time and skills to ensure our comfort and safety.

The Maintenance Team at Victor Harbor is managed by Mike McBride, who also reports to the Finance Committee

The Team at Goolwa will continue to be managed by Tony Siciliano, with the assistance of Henry Glasewski.

Henry is already part of the team and will now represent them on the Finance Committee and, like Mike, will contribute to decisions involving expenditure and parishioner safety.

**THIS WEEK: 3rd & 4th August**

**VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm**

**Commentator:** E. O'Shaughnessy

**R.1** L. Blacket

**R.2** B. Bullen

**EMHC** J. Jeffery

**Sunday 11am**

**Commentator:** P. Clingan

**R. 1** A. Rose

**R. 2** L. Sunman

**EMHC** P. O'Brien

**GOOLWA 9am**

**Commentator:** D. Huppatz

**R. 1** P. Kennelly

**R. 2** M. Freeborn

**EMHC** S. Muller



**NEXT WEEK: 10th & 11th August**

**VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm**

**Commentator:** L. Blacket

**R.1** M. Mulvihill

**R.2** J. Jeffery

**EMHC** E. O'Connell

**Sunday 11am**

**Commentator:** R. Klecko

**R. 1** A. Weygood

**R. 2** P. Clingan

**EMHC** M. Taylor

**GOOLWA 9am**

**Commentator:** R. Austin

**R. 1** M. O'Halloran

**R. 2** R. Lee

**EMHC** M. Ryan

## VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA PARISH

NGARRINDJERI and  
RAMINDJERI land

### CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE

32 Seaview Road (PO Box 464)  
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Telephone: 8552 1084 (*Please leave a message if the Office is unattended - we will get back to you asap*)  
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Web: [www.victorgoolwacatholic.org.au](http://www.victorgoolwacatholic.org.au)

### PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

#### • PARISH PRIEST

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in an emergency - 0429 098 802)  
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#### • PARISH MANAGERS

Mr Ray Klecko (0438 364 870)  
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Email: [Parish\\_manager@bigpond.com](mailto:Parish_manager@bigpond.com)

#### • PARISH NEWSLETTER

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

#### • PARISH TREASURER

Mr Merv Mallett (0412 103 443)  
Email: [parish\\_treasure@bigpond.com](mailto:parish_treasure@bigpond.com)

#### • 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)

### DID YOU KNOW?

- There is no Eucharistic action at the last supper in John's gospel, instead it occurs at this point.
- The word 'Rabbi' in Hebrew literally means 'my great one.' At the time of Jesus it referred to masters or teachers who had a following of disciples who learned from them.
- There is great debate among scholars about the meaning of the term 'Son of Man' and whether Jesus used this title of himself or whether his disciples used it of him after his death.

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Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat.

Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you, for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.'

Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: *He gave them bread from heaven to eat.*' Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly, it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven, the true bread; for the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.'

'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered:

'I am the bread of life.

He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.

### THE FOOD OF LIFE

(John 6:24-35)

There are many different diet plans. Bookstore shelves are filled with diets that say eat only this type of food or that. Some diets tell people to skip a particular food. Some concentrate on removing entire food groups out of your diet.

Most books come with recipes but more importantly with testimonials and pictures of those who succeeded in dropping a significant amount of weight over a short period of time.

In reality, a majority of these diets work because they all include two common elements usually found in small print on the very last page of the book. The dieter is told to reduce food intake and begin moderate exercise. Ultimately these two factors, which most dieters reject, are what will bring

about the real weight loss.

Most popular these days are the diets that are based on restricting or eliminating carbohydrates. Some people swear by these diets while others give up on such an approach almost instantly. For many, a meal is not a meal without a loaf of bread on the table. In reality as well as symbolically, bread is the food of life for many people.

Jesus proclaims that he is the bread of life. God's presence in bread goes back to Moses in the desert and continues today in the Eucharist. We can deny ourselves many things in life, but why deny ourselves spiritual nourishment so necessary for the health of our soul? And so, we should always eagerly gather around the altar.

### KIDS' CORNER

Do you have a list of things to do each day? That's helpful. But sometimes, our plans don't go the way we, well ... plan. That's why it's good to ask God, "What do you want me to do?" The answer may surprise you. Of course, God always wants you to do things like love others as you love yourself, pray and make good choices. But sometimes it's not so much what you do, it's who you are that matters. God is waiting for you to be the person God made you to be. That's what faith is about. It's not always thinking, planning and doing. It's living what we believe. It's about being Jesus for the world.

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(August 05 - 11)

- **Mon, 05:** Weekday, Ord Time 18 (Jer 28:1-17; Mt 14:13-21)
- **Tues, 06:** Transfiguration of the Lord (Dan 7:9-10, 13-14, Mk 9:2-10)
- **Wed, 07:** Weekday, Ord Time 18 (Jer 31:1-7; Mt 15:21-28)
- **Thur, 08:** St Mary of the Cross (1Kg 17:8-16; Col 3:12-17; Mt 6:25-34)
- **Fri, 09:** Weekday, Ord Time 18 (Nahum 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Mt 16:24-28)
- **Sat, 10:** St Lawrence (2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26) St Clare (Hab 1:12-2:4; Mt 17:14-20)
- **Sun 11:** 19<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (1 Kg 19:4-8; Eph 4:30-5:2, Jn 6:41-51)

### 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.