

# Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR C

A living, vibrant faith community

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# VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT

Our vision is to build a faith community, centred on the loving relationship of Father, Son and Holy Spirit, expressed in personal lives and in communal Parish activities.

#### IT IS OUR MISSION TO:

- Endeavour to develop relevant and prayerful Eucharistic celebrations.
- Foster the experience of a personal relationship with God.
- Provide faith formation opportunities for parishioners.
- Care for each other and the environment, particularly the sick, lonely, aged and disabled within our Parish.
- Care for our environment towards a sustainable future.

#### WE WILL:

- Reach out to those in need in the local community.
- Be committed to Catholic Social Justice principles.
- Pray and work together with Christian Churches and all people of goodwill.
- Protect and engage with young people in our local area.
- Strengthen bonds with indigenous people in our region.



#### **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



#### **FIRST READING**

## Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Moses said to the people: 'The priest shall take the pannier from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement:

"My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the firstfruits of the produce of the soil that you, Lord, have given me."

'You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.'

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Ps 90:1-2, 10-15

Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

#### **SECOND READING**

#### Romans 10:8-13

Scripture says: The word (that is the faith we proclaim) is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask for his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

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

Barbara Bond, John Wallace, Claire Hamish, Barry Wilks, Brian Smallacombe, Bob Willis, Bailey Smallacombe, Ann Tee, Peter Harris, Josephine Proctor, Charlie Nicolson, Bette Higgins, Paula Collinson, June Lloyd, Emily Slattery, Eileen McCoey, Carmen Kernahan, J. Jeffery, Margaret & Len Peake, Ron Harris, Neil Cumming, Clancy Retallick

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Peter McInnes, Ian Ferguson, Tim & Kath Kennelly

#### RECENTLY DECEASED

John Mezzino, Tony Hudson

#### **PARISH COLLECTION** 26th & 27th February

\$878.70 1st (Presbytery) 2nd (Parish) \$877.60

#### **VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER** 11th March

P. Mezzino & F. Harris 18th & 25th March

M. Farmer & C. Pearsons

#### VICTOR MORNING TEA Sunday 6th March

J. & W. Baker

#### **VICTOR MEET & GREET March Saturdays**

M. Farmer & M. Tuckey

**March Sundays** R. Reid & F. Harris

# **GOOLWA MEET & GREET**

K. & A. Fawkner

March

#### ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice time 2pm Wednesday

Call Claire Williams 0429 008 199

#### **HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS** MARCH:

FOR A CHRISTIAN RESPONSE TO BIOETHICAL CHALLENGES

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges: may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

#### **CAN YOU HELP**



With the Covid pandemic and all of us getting older it means that we have less people to keep our weekend Masses functioning smoothly.

The tasks are not onerous but they are falling to fewer and fewer people. Perhaps you don't quite know how you can help or feel that the task might be beyond you.

Altar Roster - helpers please. Sounds a little scary? Not really. Basically it's dusting the altars etc, sweeping porches, emptying waste paper bins, topping up water in flower one is unable or unwilling to evacuate. vases and washing the chalices for two consecutive Fridays with an "in-between" check up now and then. Please - chat to Pat!

#### ST JOAN'S CHURCH NEEDS:

Readers.....Commentators....Sacristans.... Covid Marshals......Collectors..... Meet and Greet People.....Altar Roster Workers...... After Mass Cuppa Helpers Speak to Pat Clingan for a position description and/or to volunteer. Phone: 0410 593 617

#### **DAY OF REFLECTION 2022**

Contemplative Living Community

## Yearning to Belong **ALL WELCOME**

Date: Sunday, 20th March, 2022

Place: Catholic Parish Church and Hall

12 Jude St, Willunga

Time: 8.30am Eucharist

9.30am Morning Tea

10.00am Start

3.30pm Finish the day Please bring masks and some food to share

for lunch. Tea and coffee supplied. Queries: Anne Weygood 0429 653 844

#### **HEALTH, SAFETY & WELFARE**

The information below is very important if either church finds itself experiencing an emergency situation. Please familiarize yourself with the Emergency Evacuation policy so that you are all well informed and we can all evacuate calmly.

#### **EMERGENCY EVACUATION**



In the event of an emergency please **EXIT** follow directions of the Parish Priest, reader or commentator who shall act

as the Chief Warden and take control of the emergency response. The collectors shall assist as wardens.

## When directed to evacuate the church/office/ hall:

- Move quickly and orderly to the nearest safe exit, do not run;
- If required, provide assistance to disabled persons and the elderly:
- Alert the Chief Warden / Warden if some-
- Proceed to the designated assembly area:

V.H: 1. Rear area behind the Annex

2. Front area on Seaview Rd footpath Goolwa: Carpark next to the Church

and await further instructions from the Chief Warden or emergency services;

- Do not re-enter any buildings until advised by the Chief Warden or emergency services.

> Thank you Cathy May (Safety, Health & Welfare officer)

#### A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

Loving God,

We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them.



We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen





RESPONSORIAL PSALM

1st SUNDAY of LENT, YR.C

Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.



#### FOR THOSE IN THE FLOODS



God who walked across the water, reach out your hand to the people in Queensland and NSW, where the rains continue, roads are flooded,

dams broken, rivers swollen, families evacuated from their homes, and rescue workers are at risk.

Protect their lives, Lord. Call us to help them as they face the struggle to recover from this disaster. Inspire our politicians to heed the signs of climate change at work and lead us into a better future

# STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAYS IN LENT

GOOLWA: 3.00pm VICTOR: 4.00pm **MASS ROSTER** 

A new roster is being drawn up for May-August. If you are unavailable please contact Mary Ferguson on 0434 877 863

#### SAFETY, HEALTH AND WELFARE

Special thank you to Cathy May and Helen Taylor who have done a lot of work to keep our Churches and properties up to date, and prepare us to be ready for our Parish audit soon.

# PROJECT COMPASSION For All Future Generations.

#### First Sunday of Lent

Anastacia 12, from Mozambique, was struggling to cope with adult responsibilities after her father died. Then she participated in Caritas Australia-supported training and gained access to psychosocial supports. Now, her quality of life has improved and she can focus on school.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 to help young people succeed in the You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.

# GOOLWA INTERCHURCH CONNECT REPORT

Our first meeting for the year was held on 17th Feb. As host church this year we had Vivi Scriva chairing the meeting and she did a wonderful job. We all met new School Chaplains in Tamara at Goolwa PS and Amy who is assigned to the new High School at Goolwa. Tamara is pleased with the welcome from the Primary School, but has a settling in period to get through. Amy has been very impressed with her start at the new school, where the Principal is very big on respect and compassion within the campus.

In other news the other churches all experienced a downturn in attendance over Christmas as indeed we did and the reason was put down to nowhere near as many people staying in the town as was the case last year. A sub committee has been formed to investigate the possibility of conducting the sunrise service on Easter Sunday at the Aquatic Club. The next meeting is in May. At the end of the meeting prayers were offered for the health of Fr. Vinh and other church members who have health problems.

**ST JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB** will hold their next meeting on Tuesday 8th March at 1.30pm in the Annex. New members most welcome.

#### ST JOAN'S MAINTENANCE GROUP

will hold their next meeting on Wed. 9th March followed by morning tea.

Extra hands are needed to remove all furniture in the Annex on 9th March after Mass and on Friday to return & set up. The carpet is being stretched.

## ST JOAN'S PASTORAL CARE GROUP

is meeting on Saturday 12th March at 4.30pm in the Annex. All welcome.

#### **FUNERAL SERVICE FOR PAT LIDDY**

will be held at St. Joan of Arc Church on Friday 11th March, 2022 at 11.00am. Please bring a flower from your garden for Pat.



This Week: 5th & 6th March

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00 pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R1. B. Bullen R. 2 J. Ryan

E.M. M. Farmer

#### VICTOR HARBOR Sunday 11.00 am

Commentator: R. Klecko

R.1 A. WillissR.2 L. Sunman

E.M. M. Cunningham

## GOOLWA Sunday 9.00 am

Commentator: P. Kennelly

**R. 1** G. Byrne **R. 2** C. May

E.M. S. Muller



Next Week: 12th & 13th March

#### VICTOR HARBOR 6.00 pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R1. C. Sutherland R. 2 L. Blacket

E.M. E. O'Connell

# VICTOR HARBOR Sunday 11.00 am

Commentator: P.O'Brien

R.1 T. HounslowR.2 A. Williss

E.M. A. Rose

## GOOLWA Sunday 9.00 am

Commentator: D. Huppatz

R. 1 L. Healey
R. 2 M. O'Halloran

E.M. T. Siciliano

# COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 28/2/22)

- Places of Worship are restricted to 3:4 sqm with social distancing of 1.5ms. Weddings and Funerals (previously viewed as a private activity) are regarded in our circumstance as a religious/faith-based ceremony and the 3:4sqm applies.
- QR codes and/or handwritten logs are essential.
- Restricted numbers of people per pew and no kneeling.
- Wearing of masks is mandatory. (A medical certificate must be produced on request, if claiming an exemption.)
- Attendees at indoor religious services may sing during worship, if they wear masks while doing so.
- No communal gatherings after Mass.
- Obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage.



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#### **PARISH TEAM CONTACTS**

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Vinh-Quang Tran (8552 1084; in an emergency - 0429 098 802) Email: Vinh2511@bigpond.com

PARISH MANAGERS

Mr Ray Klecko (0438 364 870) Mrs Pat Clingan (0410 593 617) Email: Parish manager@bigpond.com

#### PARISH NEWSLETTER

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

• PARISH TREASURER

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

CHILD PROTECTION

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

• CSHW SA (Safety, Health & Welfare) Parish (Cathy May 0401 584 237) (Continued from page 1)

# GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Mt 4:4*

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

#### **GOSPEL**

Luke 4:1-13

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.'

Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says:

You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says:

He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you,

and again:

They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said'

You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.

#### **TEACH YOUR CHILDREN WELL**

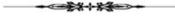
Some old-timers look back fondly at all that used to be a part of Lenten fasting and abstinence. Some felt it provided them with benefits beyond the spiritual renewal intended. They speak about a sense of camaraderie during Lent. It was easy to spot another Catholic eating a cheese sandwich at work or ordering tuna salad at a restaurant. You weren't alone in your sacrificing. There was a shared consciousness. Others who were more pragmatic felt that Lent provided them an annual diet, a good way to shed the weight put on in the dead of last winter.

The readings of the first Sunday of Lent remind us that indeed we are not alone in our faith. Our roots go back to Moses. Our faith is shared among believers of all backgrounds. It is for all who accept Jesus, according to Paul

While we have simplified the Lenten fast and abstinence, we are still called to use self-denial as an offering of thanksgiving to God and as a way to put into perspective that all we have and that gives us comfort is not as important as our eternal salvation.

To sacrifice alone as Jesus did in the desert is tough. To realise that we do it together in Lent with other believers gives us strength and makes our actions not self-serving acts of self-improvement but common acts of faith and reconciliation. They are good not for the body as much as for the soul and spirit. We are in Lent together. That's good.

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS (07 - 13 March)

- *Monday*, *07*: Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> week Lent (Lev 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46)
- *Tuesday, 08*: Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> week Lent (Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15)
- Wednesday, 09: Wednesday, 1st week Lent (Jonah 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32)
- *Thursday, 10:* Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> week Lent (Esther 14:1, 3-5, 12-14; Mt 7:7-12)
- *Friday, 11:* Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> week Lent (Ezek 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26)
- *Saturday, 12:* Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> week Lent (Deut 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48)
- *Sunday, 13:* SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (Gen 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17 4:1; Lk 9:28-36)

#### **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.