



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

THIRD SUNDAY OF
EASTER - 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.



Jesus stood among
them and said:

‘PEACE
BE WITH
YOU’

Luke 24:36

FIRST READING

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Peter said to the people: ‘You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

‘Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.’

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 4:2, 4, 7, 9

Lord, let your face shine on us.

SECOND READING

1 John 2:1-5

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin,

we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's.

We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments. Anyone who says, ‘I know him’, and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 24:35-48

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you!’ In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, ‘Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts?’
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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, Dave Rivers, Clancy Retallick, Mollie Davis, David Lee, Ann Hannagan, Cath Howard, Trudi McNamara, Allen Odgers Elizabeth Nance, Jesse Walker Jan Henderson, J. Millar, Rose Munro, Andrew Nichols, John Slagter, Patricia Harris, William Ash, Eloise Ash, Gavin Schumacher

ANNIVERSARIES

Kevin Higgins, Graham Nicolson
Joan Kelly

PARISH COLLECTION 6th & 7th April

1st (Presbytery) \$1068.00
2nd (Parish) \$1348.45

VICTOR MORNING TEA 14th April

A. Temme & M. Chalmers

21st April

A. Williss & F. Hanna

VICTOR MEET & GREET April Saturdays

M. Farmer, E. O'Connell

April Sundays

R. Reid, J. Baker

GOOLWA MEET & GREET April J. McInnes

MARCH MORNING TEA

T. Siciliano, J. Dunthorne,
J. McMahon

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice 3.00pm Wednesday.
Claire Williams 0429 008 199

HOLY FATHER'S 2024 PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR APRIL:

FOR THE ROLE OF WOMEN:

Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognized in every culture and for an end to the discrimination they face in various parts of the world.



GOSPEL REFLECTION GROUP

Sunday 5pm in the Annex You are welcome to join this group to reflect on the Gospel of the day.

Phone Carol Sutherland. 0418 856 799.

CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

We meet for Lectio Divina (Scripture Reflection) and meditation on Monday afternoons at 4.00pm. Please contact Anne Weygood 0429 653 844 for details

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*

DONATION OF USED STAMPS

Does anyone have forgotten used stamps on old letters, postcards, parcels in their homes? I am collecting them along with my own to send interstate to be used for multiple charities that do superb work in changing people's lives.

There is a box at in St Joan's porch for your stamps. Many thanks.

Jean Welling from St Joan's.

MOTHERS' DAY WINE RAFFLE

**15 delicious reds!!
plus a bonus prize.**



Tickets @ \$10 are now available for the Knights' Mothers' Day wine raffle. Mike O'Halloran is the man to see at Goolwa and Des Wallace at

Victor. We look forward to your usual support which we greatly value.

COMORO REQUEST

We have been asked if we could help with artist brushes and soccer boots for Comoro young people. Please find boxes in the back of the Church where you can leave your gifts. Many thanks to those who have already contributed!



KNIGHTS OF SOUTHERN CROSS REPORT APRIL 2024

DONATIONS At the last meeting the Knights donated \$300 to Hutt St for the homeless and \$300 also to Catherine House who care for abused women. Also \$200 was given to Mary Potter Hospice as well as \$200 to Vinnies to provide a computer to a lady to help her find work.

FUNDRAISING We are aware and respect deeply the support our parishioners give us in our fundraising efforts. So this year we will be spreading our raffles etc. so they are not running on top of each other. For instance the Mother's Day Wine Raffle will run until early May and then after that there will be the conducting of the 45 Club Series 2 for this year. As a result of this change our yearly luncheon will not be until 17th October

BBQ As this report was printed earlier than usual the results of last Sunday's BBQ will be printed at a later date. The next BBQ is on 5th May.

IN SYMPATHY our branch mourns the passing of Jan Henderson, the wife of our late and past chairman Bryan.

ANNIVERSARIES

Mick Maguire and Bill Mullett who both passed away in April 2012.

NEXT MEETING Will be held at Goolwa on 17th April at 4 pm.

FUNERAL OF JAN HENDERSON



Jan Henderson's funeral will be held on 16th April at 11.30 at St John's.
May Jan rest in peace.

SPONSORSHIP of MORNING TEAS

To show support for the parish the Knights will be sponsoring morning teas at both Goolwa and Victor from this month onwards.
(Our thanks to the Knights for their generosity.)



PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE AND THE HOLY LAND



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RESPONSORIAL PSALM THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER YR. B-2

Lord, let your face shine on us.

When I call, answer me, O God of justice;
from anguish You released me,
have mercy and hear me!

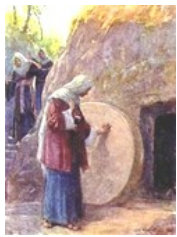
It is the Lord who grants favours to those
whom He loves;
the Lord hears me whenever I call Him.

'What can bring us happiness?' many say.
Lift up the light of Your face on us, O Lord.

I will lie down in peace and sleep
comes at once
For you alone, Lord, make me dwell in
safety.



POPE'S EASTER MESSAGE



The amazing discovery of
that Easter morning was
that the stone, the immense
stone, was rolled away. The
astonishment of the women
is our astonishment as well:
the tomb of Jesus is open
and it is empty!

From this, everything begins anew!
A new path leads
through that empty tomb:
the path that none of us,
but God alone, could open:
the path of life in the midst of death,
the path of peace in the midst of war,
the path of reconciliation
in the midst of hatred,
the path of fraternity
in the midst of hostility.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF HAPPINESS

**Happiness is a
fundamental human goal.
The United Nations
General Assembly
recognizes this goal and
calls for "a more inclusive,
equitable and balanced approach to
economic growth that promotes the
happiness and well-being of all
peoples." Happy societies are
healthier, more productive, and more
peaceful. United Nations.**



THE EARLY CHURCH



At Masses all through
the Easter season, the
first reading at Mass
will be from **the Acts of
the Apostles.**

These stories of heroism, controversies,
persecutions and miracles all testify to **the
continued presence of the Risen Christ in
the world**, through the lives of his disciples,
and the actions of the Holy Spirit. All of this
should be an encouragement and a sign of
hope for us today. **Despite war, violence,
climate change, personal struggles, God
has not abandoned us, nor left us to our
own devices.** The Risen Saviour is still with
us. These 50 days of Easter ask us to reflect
on his presence, and - even in the face of
danger or fear - to live with joy.

THREAT TO FAITH-BASED SCHOOLS

Faith-based schools currently have discretion
to *positively preference staff that adhere to
that religion and its practices.* Various faith
leaders including the Archbishop of Sydney
have written to the Prime Minister:

*We expect you to uphold your election
commitment to maintain the right of religious
educational institutions to preference people
of their own faith.... We ask you to continue
to work towards a bipartisan approach to this
matter...in consultation with religious
communities.*

Signed, **Most Rev. Anthony Fisher OP
Catholic Archbishop of Sydney and
41 other Faith Leaders.**

Further information at
[240327-Letter-to-PM-Albanese-from-faith-
communities.pdf \(senatorfawcett.com.au\)](https://www.senatorfawcett.com.au/240327-Letter-to-PM-Albanese-from-faith-communities.pdf)

THE WORMS KEEP GIVING

\$265 was recently given to
the Comoro fund. This is
from worm sales over the
last year and two generous
donations!!



DAYLIGHT SAVING



A busy night at **Stonehenge** as workers shift
the stones back one hour.

THIS WEEK: 13th & 14th April

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: L. Blacket

R.1 C. Sutherland

R.2 J. Jeffery

EMHC M. Farmer

Sunday 11am

Commentator: R. Klecko

R. 1 T. Hounslow

R. 2 P. Clingan

EMHC P. O'Brien

GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: P. Kennelly

R. 1 E. Bourne

R. 2 L. Healey

EMHC T. Siciliano



NEXT WEEK: 20th & 21st April

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 C. Huppatz

R.2 L. Blacket

EMHC E. O'Connell

Sunday 11am

Commentator: P. O'Brien

R. 1 K. Dudley

R. 2 M. Cunningham

EMHC P. Clingan

GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: Marie Riddle

R. 1 M. Mulvihill

R. 2 R. Lee

EMHC A. Turner

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA PARISH

NGARRINDJERI and
RAMINDJERI land

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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: 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?

- The disciples referred to in this Gospel are the two who had been fleeing from Jerusalem towards Emmaus when they encountered Jesus on the road. They returned to be witnesses of their encounter with the risen Christ.
- Luke also wrote the Acts of the Apostles. His gospel is the story of Jesus' journey to Jerusalem to the cross and resurrection. Acts is the story of the gospel spreading from Jerusalem to 'all the nations'. A unifying theme in Luke is that of 'journey'.

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Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

NOT A GHOST

Some people are born with the knack of putting names and faces together and never forgetting that connection. That is a real blessing to have in life. It endears you to people instantly and can also be an effective tool in business and politics. There are also those who can continue to put the correct name to a face years after the last encounter, overcoming the obstacles that passing times adds to someone's appearance. This seems to border on genius.

There is no worse feeling than when someone comes up to you and unexpectedly says, "You remember me, don't you?" You have to quickly start to catalogue from where you might know this person, looking and listening for anything at all identifiable that might help. There's a great feeling of accomplishment of recognition as the correct name comes into focus. If not, you have a choice to either fake it, hoping that further clues may help you figure it out. Or you might just give up and say, "Your face is familiar. Give me a name."

The disciples of Jesus in the upper

room found it hard to recognise the risen Jesus. They thought he was a ghost. The two who had met him on the way to Emmaus did not immediately recognise him either. Only after the breaking of the bread, receiving Jesus in the Eucharist, did they fully recognise his presence in their lives.

The Commissioning

Experience the peace of Jesus Christ. Offer the peace of Christ to others.

- The peace of Christ seeks healing for the hurting.
- The peace of Christ confronts the powerful.
- The peace of Christ calms the troubled.
- The peace of Christ builds community.
- The peace of Christ will not stand for injustice.
- The peace of Christ quiets our spirits.
- The peace of Christ goes beyond time.

You are at peace because you have experienced the peace of Christ. We will take the peace of Christ with us as we go out into the world.

GPBS eNews

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(15 - 28 April)

- **Monday, 15:** Monday of the 3rd week of Easter (Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29)
- **Tuesday, 16:** Tuesday of the 3rd week of Easter (Acts 7:51-8:1; Jn 6:30-35)
- **Wednesday, 17:** Wednesday of the 3rd week of Easter (Acts 8:1-8; Jn 6:35-40)
- **Thursday, 18:** Thursday of the 3rd week of Easter (Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51)
- **Friday, 19:** Friday of the 3rd week of Easter (Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59)
- **Saturday, 20:** Saturday of the 3rd week of Easter (Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69)
- **Sunday 21:** FOURTH SUNDAY of EASTER (Acts 4:8-12; 1Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18)

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.