



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

*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

Daniel 12:1-13

‘At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.’

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 15:5, 8-11

*Keep me safe, O God;
you are my hope.*

SECOND READING

Hebrews 10:11-14,18

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered

one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place forever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 21:36

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Be watchful, pray constantly,
that you may be worthy to stand
before the Son of Man. Alleluia!*

GOSPEL

Mark 13:24-32

Jesus said to his disciples, ‘In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

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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)

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

ANNIVERSARIES

Dorothy Higgins, Reginald Meade, Francesco (Frank) Scriva

RECENTLY DECEASED

Russell Crighton, Kathleen Myatt, Janet Marchant, Jim Huppertz.

PARISH COLLECTION 6th & 7th November

1st (Presbytery) \$917.70
2nd (Parish) \$1,140.30

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER 19th November

M. Farmer & C. Pearsons
26th November & 3rd December
W. & J. Baker

VICTOR MORNING TEA 14th November

F. Hanna & M. Mattson
21st November
A. Temme & M. Chalmers

VICTOR MEET & GREET November Saturdays

M. Farmer & E. O'Connell
November Sundays
L. Sunman F. Harris

GOOLWA MEET & GREET November

J. McInnes

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice time 2pm Wednesday

Call Claire Williams 0429 008 199

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2021

PRAYER INTENTIONS: NOVEMBER



Universal intention: The Church. We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

COMORO GARAGE SALE PROGRESS

This will be held on Saturday 27th November 8.30am - 2.30pm.

Thanks to all those donating goods for sale.

And calling all green-thumbs - we are needing pots and pot-plants too!



John Dunthorne:
0437 515 144

John Baker: 0419 046 147

VINNIES CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The Vinnies 2021 Christmas Appeal

Envelopes are available after Masses at St John's and St Joan's this weekend. This year they will not be placed on pews, but instead will be given to interested parishioners. Vinnies members will be speaking for this Appeal on behalf of the needy in our local communities during "Notices" at the end of Masses.

Thanks to all for your generosity!

2021 VINNIES CHRISTMAS HAMPERS:



Parishioners are invited to bring non-perishable food to place in the Christmas boxes in both churches until Sunday

12 December. Your generosity was much appreciated by 69 local families last year!

VICTORIA HOUSE AND IMMANUEL CARE:

Maire Ryan and Margaret Chalmers invite you to spread the joy of Christmas to residents! Please see Maire (Goolwa) / Margaret (St Joan's) to collect a card suggesting appreciated gifts.

Vinnies thank you so much for your ongoing support!

THE SOUTHERN CROSS

for November is available on the porch.

It includes coverage of the recent First Assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia and other national and local parish and school news.



Come and enjoy a Christmas Dinner and good company on Friday 3rd December at 5.30pm for 6pm in the annex at St Joan's. Cost: \$15 per person, BYO drinks and your own glass.

Put your name on the lists available at both churches or contact:

Colleen Pearsons:

8552 2645/0405 634 744 or

Pat Clingan: 0410 593 617

by Friday 26th November

Come and support St Joan's Social Club



DEATH OF FATHER VIMAL RAJ, PARISH PRIEST OF MURRAY BRIDGE



Archbishop O'Regan celebrated Mass for the repose of the soul of Father Vimal Raj at the Cathedral on November 11th.

The Archbishop has asked us to pray for Father Vimal, his family and his parishioners.

The Archbishop also sent out to all parishes an article by Ron Rolheiser about suicide.

The following is a paragraph from that article:

A proper human and faith response to suicide should not be horror, fear for the victim's eternal salvation, or guilty second-guessing about how we failed this person. We must understand it as a disease, an illness, a tragic breakdown within the emotional immune system. And then we must trust, in God's goodness, God's understanding, God's power to descend into hell, and God's power to redeem all things, even death, even death by suicide.

<http://ronrolheiser.com/>

FEAST DAYS FOR THE WEEK

Nov. 15th St Albert the Great, bishop,

Nov. 16th St Margaret of Scotland,
St Gertrude

Nov. 17th St Elizabeth of Hungary

Nov. 18th Basilica of Sts Peter and Paul

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM 33rd SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME, YR.B

*Keep me safe, O God;
You are my hope.*

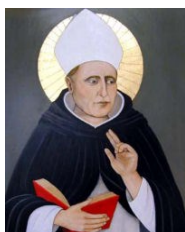
O Lord, it is You who are my portion and cup;
it is You Yourself who are my prize.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since He is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.
For You will not leave my soul among the dead,
nor let Your beloved know decay.

You will show me the path of life
the fullness of joy in Your presence,
at Your right hand happiness for ever.



SAINT ALBERT THE GREAT Feast Day 15th November (d.1280)



Legend credits St. Albert with drawing the ground plans for the cathedral at Cologne. Albert, the greatest German scholar of the Middle Ages, was outstanding in the fields of natural science, theology, and philosophy. After taking his degrees at the University of Paris he taught philosophy and theology at Paris and then in Cologne. In 1260 he was named Bishop of Ratisbon and devoted himself zealously to the duties of his office. But he soon resigned in order to continue his teaching and research. St. Albert died in Cologne on November 15, 1280.

Catholic Culture

JUST A SMALL ACT OF GOODNESS

It is impossible to know in the moment, how a small act of goodness will reverberate through time. The notion is empowering and it is frightening—because it means that we're all capable of changing the world, and responsible for finding those opportunities to protect, feed, grow, and guide love. *Bishop Michael Curry*

GOOLWA CHRISTMAS SOCIAL Sunday 5th December at 6pm All parishioners welcome!!!



A free BBQ will be held on Sunday 5th Dec at the Goolwa Church Hall beginning at

6.00 pm. There will be a raffle, \$5 for 3 tickets, with some great prizes donated by local business people. The BBQ will include chops, sausages and burgers with delicious salads.

Please give your name to Paul or Mike, or phone Mike on 0416 102 678.

HISTORIC YOUTH ASSEMBLY



For the first time in nearly 40 years a Diocesan Youth Assembly will be held

to hear specifically from young people about their hopes and ideas for the future.

The November 21 event is expected to be attended by up to 200 young people from regional and metropolitan parishes.

"I think it is a wonderful opportunity for young people to really make a stand and say publicly this is what we want as a cohort of young people at this time in the Archdiocese. These are the things we are concerned about and these are the things that we want to see addressed, as well as these are the commitments we are going to make."

Peter Bierer from the Catholic Office for Youth and Young Adults

SAINT MARGARET OF SCOTLAND Feast Day 16th November (c.1045 – c.1093)

St. Margaret was the great-niece of St.



Edward the Confessor. She was a Saxon princess, raised in Hungary in exile.

Returning to England, she had to flee once again after the Battle of Hastings, to the court of Malcolm, the King of Scotland, whom she married shortly thereafter. She proved to be a model mother and exemplary queen who brought up her eight children in an atmosphere of great devotion and worked hard to improve the morality of her subjects.

This Week : 13th & 14th November

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 E. O'Shaughnessy

R.2 L. Blacket

E.M. M. Farmer

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : P. O'Brien

R.1. P. Clingan

R.2 J. Tregear

E.M M. Cunningham

GOOLWA Sunday 9.00am

Commentator: J. Ryan

R1 A. Fawkner

R2 K. Fawkner

E.M. M. Ryan



Next Week : 20th & 21st November

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 B. Bullen

R.2 C. Sutherland

E.M. E. O'Shaughnessy

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : P. O'Brien

R.1. L. Sunman

R.2 A. Rose

E.M J. Baker

GOOLWA Sunday 9.00am

Commentator: V. Scriva

R1 E. Bourne

R2 K. O'Shea

E.M. T. Siciliano

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 9 November, 2021)

- Places of Worship are restricted to 3 people per 4 square metres with social distancing of 1.5 metres. If more than 50 people are present, there must be an independent COVID Marshal. QR codes and/or handwritten logs are essential.
- Only 5 people to sit in a pew and there is to be no kneeling.
- Wearing of masks is mandatory, except when going to Communion. *(A doctor's certificate must be produced on request, if claiming an exemption.)*
- Attendees at indoor religious services may sing during worship and members of choirs or chorus groups may perform or rehearse indoors, if they wear masks while doing so.
- Obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage. You may wish to access: [Mass for You at Home – The official website of Mass For You At Home, Australia](#) online and on Channel 10 every Sunday at 6 am.

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

• PARISH PRIEST

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• PARISH MANAGERS

Mr Ray Klecko (0438 364 870)
Mrs Pat Clingan (0410 593 617)
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• PARISH NEWSLETTER

Please forward items for the newsletter to the Parish Office - ph 8552 1084 or 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 (Parish Office 8552 1084)

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

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‘Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

‘But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.’

GENTLE FAITH

The special effects we see in movies have become almost perfect. The use of computer animation and graphics can create just about anything. And it all looks so real that it takes no imagination on our part. Our belief is suspended as we watch the screen with rapt attention.

In Jesus' day, the storyteller created the images in people's minds. So, Jesus' description of the last days had to have been both frightening and awesome to those who listened to him.

Inexplicably he switches directions and tactics and points to a simple fig tree. They grow wild, almost like weeds, all around those valleys Jesus visited. They were a common sight to all who listened to Jesus. He used the image to reinforce the dramatic message he had just described in simple and gentle words.

In this subtle way, Jesus is telling the listeners that the end-time will come for each person when God so chooses it to happen. We are not to worry. There will always be fanciful descriptions. People will always want to frighten us. Some will insist that they alone can interpret the signs that will be forthcoming.

Oh yes, the special effects will be spectacular. But the mystery of life and death and Resurrection are all

round us in simple, beautiful ways for those with eyes of faith to see and experience.

You have seen the signs; you have heard the rumblings. Are you afraid? We have our Rock and we have our faith foundation; we will not fear! Jesus is our guide in the testing times; his life, his death, and his words are there when your world falls apart - a source of inspiration. We know where our trust belongs and, in the strength of our Christian community, we will win through! Thanks be to God! *GPBS eNews*

DID YOU KNOW?

The language that Jesus uses today to describe the end times is called 'apocalyptic'. Apocalyptic writing was very common and popular from about the second century before Jesus' birth through to the second century after his death. The Bible contains many examples of this apocalyptic style, such as the Book of Revelation. It is a particular literary form, with special rules for interpretation, and is perhaps the most misunderstood style of writing in the Scriptures. It is highly symbolic and should never be read literally.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(November 15 - 22)

- **Monday, 15:** Weekday, Ord Time 33 (1 Macc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-64; Lk 18:35-43)
- **Tuesday, 16:** Weekday, Ord Time 33 (2 Macc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10)
- **Wednesday, 17:** St Elizabeth of Hungary (2 Macc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28)
- **Thursday, 18:** Weekday, Ord Time 33 (1 Macc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44)
- **Friday, 19:** Weekday, Ord Tim 33 (1 Macc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:45-48)
- **Saturday, 20:** Weekday, Ord Time 33 (1 Macc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40)
- **Sunday 21:** 33rd Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE (Dan 7:13-14; Apoc 1:5-8; Jn 18:33-37)

PASTORAL CARE

If you need a Priest for anointing of the sick or last rites contact: Noarlunga/Seaford (8382 1717), Willunga (0488 287 552), Victor Harbor/Goolwa (8552 1084), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).