



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

11th SUNDAY in ORDINARY
TIME - 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.



FIRST READING

Exodus 19:2-6

From Rephidim the Israelites set out again; and when they reached the wilderness of Sinai, there in the wilderness they pitched their camp; there facing the mountain Israel pitched camp.

Moses then went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying,

'Say this to the House of Jacob, declare this to the sons of Israel, "You yourselves have seen what I did with the Egyptians, how I carried you on eagle's wings and brought you to myself. From this you know that now, if you obey my voice and hold fast to my covenant, you of all the nations shall be my very own for all the earth is mine. I will count you a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 99:2-3, 5

We are his people: the sheep of his flock.

SECOND READING

Romans 5:6-11

We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man – though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die – but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is

it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled, surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our reconciliation.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mk 1:15

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is near: repent, and believe the Good News! Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 9:36-10:8

When Jesus saw the crowds he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest.'

He summoned his twelve disciples, and gave them authority over unclean spirits with power to cast them out and to cure all kinds of diseases and sickness.

These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee, and his brother

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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,
Bob Willis, Jeffery Family,
Bailey Smallacombe, Ann Tee,
Charlie Nicolson, Paula Collinson,
Jane Lloyd, Eileen McCoey,
Len Peake, Ron & Patrine Harris,
Neil Cumming,
Clancy Retallick, Ann Hannagan,
Mollie Davis, Jutta Millar,
Cath Howard, Keith Fawcner,
Trudi McNamara, Elizabeth Nance,
Allen Odgers, Jan Henderson,
Jesse Walker, Richard Eisenkoeck,
Rose Munro

RECENTLY DECEASED

Jack Sullivan

ANNIVERSARIES

Rita Sullivan

PARISH COLLECTION

10th & 11th June

1st (Presbytery) \$ 991.20
2nd (Parish) \$ 1059.30

Holy Father's Appeal \$711.30

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

23rd June

W. & J. Baker & F. Hanna

30th June & 7th July

M. Farmer & C. Pearsons

VICTOR MORNING TEA

18th June

M. Chalmers & A. Temme

25th June

W. & J. Baker

VICTOR MEET & GREET

June Saturdays

M. Farmer & H. Anderson

June Sundays

W. & J. Baker

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

June

S. & R. Lee

Morning Tea

P. Kennelly, M. O'Halloran,
J. Ryan

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice time 2pm Wednesday
Call Claire Williams 0429 008 199

HOLY FATHER'S 2023 PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JUNE

For the abolition of torture. We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.



WORLD REFUGEE DAY 20th June



REFUGEE WEEK EVENTS

Sun. 18th June to Sat. 24th June

Theme: *Finding Freedom*

On Sunday 18th June at 2 pm the **Kaza Mwendu Choir** will be singing and dancing at the Christian Gospel Centre, George Main Road, Victor Harbor. The film **Chauka, please tell us the time** will be shown at the Victa Cinema on Thursday 22nd June at 7 pm.

These two events show both a welcoming Australian community in the group from Burundi and then one which has often acted harshly towards asylum seekers who come by boat as is shown in the film which explores the conditions in offshore detention on Manus Island. Manus Island has now closed down but Nauru is still open for off-shore detention.

Victor Harbor Refugee Support Group

PARISH PASTORAL

COUNCIL MEETING:

Thursday 22nd June, 4pm,
St John's, Goolwa



PLEASE COLLECT
THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES AND
LETTERS AND VINNIES'
WINTER APPEAL ENVELOPES
AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

PRAY FOR
THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE



FR CHARLES LUKATI

Parish Priest of Croydon will celebrate Masses with us this weekend. Father Charles arrived in Australia from Kenya in 2012 and served in Blackwood, Adelaide Hills and Aberfoyle Park parishes before taking up his position as parish priest of Croydon. Father Charles loves to run and recently helped to raise money for the work of Caritas in Turkey and Syria as part of a fun run. We warmly welcome him to our parish for this weekend.



KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS JUNE 2023 REPORT

BBQ REPORT. Our monthly BBQ for this month raised \$80.60 with many thanks to those who gave their support by purchase or by donation. The next BBQ will be on Sunday 2nd July

KNIGHTS' PROMOTION. The promo sheets for our order, placed in a recent encounter, resulted in no inquiries at all to join us. Still feel free to contact

Paul Kennelly on 0402 852 825.

ANNUAL LUNCHEON had about 40 people attending and we are truly grateful for those supporting the day. There will be a complete report in the July Encounter.

DONATIONS (MAY MEETING) \$150 each was donated to both Mary Potter Hospice, Hutt St Centre and the Royal Flying Doctor Service. Also as reported previously \$300 was donated to Fr. Vinh for his holiday.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK Our prayers were offered for members Rudi Baltas and his wife Kay and Ron Harris and wife Patrine. A number of parishioners were also mentioned and added to our prayers.

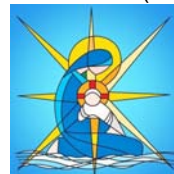
ANNIVERSARIES for JUNE:

Bryan Henderson, Kevin Luke and wife Marie, and Rex Hodges and wife Pauline.

NEXT MEETING at Goolwa Church Wed. 21st June at 4.00 pm

SEA SUNDAY COLLECTION FOR the STELLA MARIS ASSOCIATION NEXT WEEKEND

Stella Maris (Star of the Sea) is the largest



ship-visiting network in the world. We care for seafarers and fishers through our network of local chaplains and seafarer centres with expert information, advocacy, and spiritual support.

Mary, Star of the Sea, is its principal patron. As Stella Maris is dependent on voluntary donations, please give generously.

Bulletin Board



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr. A

We are His people: the sheep of His flock.

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Serve the Lord with gladness.
Come before Him, singing for joy.

Know that He, the Lord, is God.
He made us, we belong to Him,
we are His people, the sheep of His flock.

Indeed, how good is the Lord,
eternal His merciful love.
He is faithful from age to age.



SAINT THOMAS MORE

(b.1478 – d.1535)

Feast Day 22nd June

As "a man for all seasons," **St. Thomas More** was a scholar, eminent lawyer,



father of four and chancellor of England. He refused to approve Henry VIII's divorce from Catherine of Aragon in order to marry Anne Boleyn. Nor would

he acknowledge Henry as supreme head of the church in England, breaking with Rome and denying the pope as head. His belief that no lay ruler has jurisdiction over the church of Christ cost Thomas More his life. Thomas went to the Tower of London to await trial for treason, and was beheaded on Tower Hill, London, July 6, 1535. In 1935, Thomas More was canonized and in 2000, Pope John Paul II named him patron of political leaders.
Catholic Culture

PRAYERFUL REFLECTIONS ON THE BACK PAGE OF THE ENCOUNTER

Each week Gael Maloney who arranges the front and back pages of our Encounter sources points for reflection and prayer based on the readings for the week. Take a few minutes during the week to read over these points and use them for your own reflection and prayer. You will find them very helpful. *Thanks Gael.*

THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Feast Day June 16th



Devotion to the Sacred Heart is devotion to Jesus and his love. It is a sign or a symbol of both the divine and human love that Jesus has for his Father and us. *Most Sacred Heart of Jesus I place my trust in You.*

THE IMMACULATE HEART OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Feast Day June 17th

This is a symbol of Mary's love for her God, her maternal love for her Divine Son, and compassionate love for us. *Mary, pray for us now and at the hour of our death.*



THE HOMELESS CRISIS IN OUR COMMUNITIES

We would like to invite you to a

PUBLIC FORUM regarding *this on WEDNESDAY 21st JUNE at 2pm in the GOSPEL CENTRE,*

George Main Road, Victor Harbor.

We invite you to hear our Guest Speakers

John Whyte and Lew Saunders

who have been working at the forefront of this situation on the South Coast.

The rental crisis is making more people vulnerable to becoming homeless ...

especially women in the over 60-year age bracket. homeless.help2sleep@gmail.com

Jonquil H Tisdall (Secretary)

INTERMENT OF JOSIE PROCTOR'S ASHES

All parishioners and friends are invited to be part of the ceremony of interment of Josie's ashes this Sunday after the 11am Mass.

"MY JOY I GIVE TO YOU" Jesus

Joy is essential to the spiritual life. Whatever we may think of or say about God, when we are not joyful, our thoughts and words cannot bear fruit. Jesus reveals to us God's love so that his joy may become ours and that our joy may become complete. Joy is the experience of knowing that you are unconditionally loved and that nothing—sickness, failure, emotional distress, oppression, war, or even death—can take that love away.

THIS WEEK 17th & 18th June

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: C. Huppatz

R.1 B. Bullen

R.2 J. Jeffrey

EMHC M. Farmer

Sunday 11am

Commentator: P. O'Brien

R. 1 A. Weygood

R. 2 F. Hanna

EMHC P. Clingan

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: Marie Riddle

R. 1 E. Bourne

R. 2 Michael Riddle

EMHC R. Austin



NEXT WEEK 24th & 25th June

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 S. Duong

R.2 L. Blacket

EMHC E. O'Connell

Sunday 11am

Commentator: T. Hounslow

R. 1 K. Dudley

R. 2 A. Willis

EMHC L. Sunman

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: D. Huppatz

R. 1 J. Ryan

R. 2 R. Lee

EMHC T. Siciliano

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA

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RAMINDJERI land

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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)
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• 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 16/06/23)

- If you have tested positive for COVID-19, please stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- 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.
- Collection plates are to be passed around with minimum contact.

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John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, the one who was to betray him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them as follows:

‘Do not turn your steps to pagan territory, and do not enter any Samaritan town; go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel. And as you go, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils. You received without charge, give without charge.’

SHEEP ARE FOLLOWERS

(Matthew 9:35 - 10:9-23)

“We are his people, the sheep of his flock”. How picturesque - all those cute critters grazing obediently, and I know I’m supposed to want that, but in my heart I’m thinking, “No thanks”. Sheep are followers. I’m a terrible sheep. I don’t want to follow. I want to control. For example, I want to control my schedule so that I never have to wake up while it’s still dark. I want to turn on the radio as I’m getting ready and never hear a pledge drive. I want all the traffic lights in town to turn green as I drive up to them.

But the problem is deeper, and my own life reveals that, especially as I ponder the big things I’d like to control. I want my family to give me my way in everything. I don’t want my friends to get sick, or at least to get well when I pray for them, especially the one I keep praying for who keeps getting sicker. I don’t want to worry about finances, kids, the environment. I want everyone to practice compassion instead of escalating conflict to violence.

Uh-oh. The real issue here, I see, isn’t that sheep are followers. The real issue is that sheep are not in control. Giving up control isn’t a goal we can work toward – it’s a statement about reality. We can’t give up control because we don’t have it in the first place! Yes, we must pray and work – clothing the naked, feeding the hungry, visiting the sick and

imprisoned. But we must also acknowledge that we don’t control the outcome, and we can practice gratitude to the one who made us, whose kindness endures forever, who has placed us in this amazing flock and invited us to serve with joyful song.

KIDS’ CORNER

Many people probably looked at the same crowd Jesus saw that day. But how many of them saw what Jesus saw?

Jesus is the Good Shepherd. When he looks at people – even people in a crowd – he looks deeply. He sees what people need.

Jesus calls his disciples to follow him and share the Good News of God’s love. Jesus calls you to live as his disciples too. That means seeing people as Jesus sees them. Look at the people around you today. What do you see? Can you look a little deeper, as Jesus does, and see what they might need? How can you help?

Lord Jesus, help me see others as you see them. Amen.

GPBS eNews

THIS WEEK’S READINGS

(19 - 25 June)

- **Monday, 19:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (2 Cor 6:1-10; Mt 5:38-42)
- **Tuesday, 20:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (2 Cor 8:1-9; Mt 5:43-48)
- **Wednesday, 21:** St Aloysius Gonzaga (2 Cor 9:6-11; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18)
- **Thursday, 22:** Sts John Fisher and Thomas More (2 Cor 11:1-11; Mt 6:7-15)
- **Friday, 23:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Mt 6:19-23)
- **Saturday, 24:** The NATIVITY of ST JOHN the BAPTIST Is 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 2:41-51; Lk 1:57-66, 80)
- **Sunday 25:** 12th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Jer 20:10-13; Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33)

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.