



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

FOURTH 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.



FIRST READING

Acts 4:8-12

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 117:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28-29

*The stone rejected by the builders
has become the cornerstone.*

SECOND READING

1 John 3:1-2

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we

are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord 'I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 10:11-18

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep.

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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 J. Millar, Rose Munro, Andrew Nichols, John Slagter, Patricia Harris, William Ash, Eloise Ash, Gavin Schumacher

RECENTLY DECEASED

Jan Henderson

ANNIVERSARIES

Graham Nicolson, Joan Kelly

PARISH COLLECTION 13th & 14th April

1st (Presbytery) \$ 1196.25
2nd (Parish) \$ 1189.70

VICTOR MORNING TEA 21st April

A. Willis & F. Hanna
28th April
W. & J. Baker

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.



EARTH DAY – 22nd APRIL

The official theme for 2024 is "Planet vs. Plastics."



Earth Day is an annual event to demonstrate support for environmental protection. First held in 1970, it now includes a wide range of events coordinated globally by Earthday.org including

1 billion people in more than 193 countries. How are you going with recycling your plastic bags, plastic containers? Are you choosing alternatives to plastic where you can?

PUBLIC SCHOOL PASTORAL CARE



These days priests, pastors and religious are not able to enter a public school as they used to do for religious instruction.

Public Schools now have a Pastoral Care Worker or a Student Welfare Support Officer who may be from a religious background but is not able to provide instruction in a particular faith.

They are part of the Wellbeing Programme that is in place in public schools now and are funded by the government. They provide support to students in many important ways including

support student attendance, engagement and mental health support students in difficult or challenging situations such as during times of grief

provide pastoral care and guidance to students

Schools may source these workers from a service provider such as the School Ministry Group (SMG) who provide personnel to Goolwa High, Goolwa Primary, Victor Harbor Primary and Victor Harbor High and help with further programmes for student welfare. It was heartening to see the Victa Cinema full of supporters last Thursday evening for a film to raise funds for this group.

<https://smg.asn.au/chaplaincy>

ANZAC DAY - 25th April



We give thanks for the freedoms we enjoy because of the bravery and sacrifice of the men and women in our armed

forces and those who support them. As we understand better the effects of war upon those who take part, including PTSD, we pray for our current and past defence personnel that they may be treated with understanding and care.

God of love and liberty, we bring our thanks this day for the peace and security we enjoy,

which was won for us through the courage and devotion of those who gave their lives in time of war.

We pray that their labour and sacrifice may not be in vain,

but that their spirit may live on in us and in generations to come. That the liberty, truth and justice which they sought to preserve may be seen and known in all the nations upon earth.

We pray for an end to war in Ukraine and in the Holy Land

This we pray in the name of the one who gave his life for the sake of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



POLICE CHECKS

Quite a number of people currently in Parish ministry may need to re-new their police check/working with children clearance. If your clearance is soon to expire, please contact Ray Klecko 0438 364 870 or Pat Clingan 0410 593 617 to make an appointment to obtain a new police check.

A NEW COMORO GARAGE SALE ON THE HORIZON!! 18th May

First week after Mother's Day



Mark has left for Timor for two weeks. He will engage with Maria Auxiliadora (Our Lady Help of Christians)

parishioners and their PPC. This will be followed up with a report from Comoro and a Garage Sale on the 18th of May. (The week after Mother's Day).

PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE AND THE HOLY LAND

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YR. B-2

The stone rejected by the builders has become the corner stone.

Give thanks to the Lord for He is good,
for His love has no end.
It is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in men:
it is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in princes.

I will thank You for You have given answer
and You are my saviour.
The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.

Blessed in the name of the Lord
is he who comes.
We bless you from the house of the Lord;
I will thank You for You have given answer
and You are my saviour.
Give thanks to the Lord for He is good;
for His love has no end.



SAINT MARK, Evangelist Feast Day 26th April (c.12 – c.68)



St. Mark, author of the second Gospel, was the son of Mary whose house at Jerusalem was the meeting place of Christians, where St. Peter sought refuge after being freed from prison. He was baptized and instructed by

St. Peter. Mark accompanied St. Paul and Mark's cousin St. Barnabas in the evangelization of Cyprus before he became companion and secretary of St. Peter in Rome in about 42 A.D. He wrote his Gospel about the year 50 A.D. His Gospel is a record of St. Peter's preaching about Our Lord, pays special attention to the head of the Apostles, and emphasizes the miraculous powers of the Saviour. The Gospel was written for Roman Gentile converts. It rarely quotes the Old Testament, and is careful to explain Jewish customs, rites and words. It excels in portraying the emotions and affections of both Christ and His hearers. St. Mark preached in Egypt, especially in Alexandria and was martyred there by the heathens. *Catholic Culture*

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE



*"Called to sow seeds of hope
and to build peace."*

God our Father,

*"Called to sow seeds of hope
and to build peace."*

God our Father,

**You made each of us to use our gifts in
the Body of Christ.**

**Send workers into Your great harvest
so that the Gospel is preached,
the poor are served with love,
the suffering are comforted,
and Your people are strengthened by
the sacraments.**

**We pray for Father Vinh that he will come
to know joy and hope in his ministry in
our Victor/Goolwa parish.**

**Thank you, Father, for answering God's
call to become a priest. And for your
faithfulness over many years.**

CENTACARE has been providing pre-marriage education to the Catholic and broader community for many years. Occasionally we encounter couples who face more challenges than others, often due to their life experiences. Our Relationship Educators are also qualified Relationship Counsellors and can offer these couples ongoing counselling to improve the quality and longevity of their relationship. Couples may call Centacare on 08 8215 6700 and request an appointment for Relationship Education or email enquiries@centacare.org.au

MOTHERS' DAY WINE RAFFLE 12 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. Still a chance to buy a ticket before they are all gone.



THIS 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 A. Fawkner

R. 2 V. Scriva

EMHC A. Turner



NEXT WEEK: 27th & 28th April

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 S. Duong

R.2 J. Jeffery

EMHC E. O'Shaughnessy

Sunday 11am

Commentator: F. Hanna

R. 1 P. Clingan

R. 2 R. Reid

EMHC M. Taylor

GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: J. Ryan

R. 1 C. May

R. 2 M. O'Halloran

EMHC M. Ryan

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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)

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER - GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

The passage today is one that Jesus might have used when he was reminding his disciples that he had foretold his death and resurrection. He is the Good Shepherd who seeks out the lost and the lame - but who is also prepared to lay down his own life to save his flock. He is the one who will face the wolf - and the forces of evil - using his own life as a shield for his sheep. Because of his willingness to sacrifice his life on their behalf, the Father ensures that he can be restored to life - and to draw all into one flock with one shepherd.

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'I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock, and one shepherd. 'The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.

No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'



DID YOU KNOW?

- The Latin word for shepherd is the root of the word pastor which is often used to describe the priest who leads the community.
- From this Latin root we also derive other terms such as pastoral associate, pastoral council and pastoral care, all of which imply a duty of love and care towards others.
- Bishops carry a staff known as a crosier which is the shepherd's crook and a symbol of the care of the bishop for his people.

THE SHEPHERD IN YOU

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd would die for the sheep. The hired hand, who is neither shepherd nor owner of the sheep, catches sight of the wolf coming and runs away, leaving the sheep to be scattered or snatched by the wolf. That's because the hired hand works only for pay and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my sheep and my sheep know me."

At our daily work each of us are shepherds. We are in charge of the quality and quantity of work that we do. No one can make us be less than we are. We are responsible for our actions, and as good shepherds we must be willing to put our jobs on the line for the sake of preserving our integrity and the integrity of others - be they our customers, co-workers, bosses, or employees.

Why does the Father love the good shepherd, according to Jesus? Because the good shepherd is willing to lay down his life in order to take it up again. That means he acts without being led by his fears. He acts out of love and respect for the precious gift of giving him, namely his life, his talents, and his very ability to work.

Where do you see good shepherds in your own life? I see them in the women who watch my nephew at day-care, the people who deliver my mail, the assistants who always keep their humour at the sandwich counter, and my business partners, co-workers, and family members who wouldn't let a wolf within a thousand yards of the work they do. *GPBS eNews*



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(22 - 28 April)

- **Monday, 22:** Monday 4th week, Easter (Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-30)
- **Tuesday, 23:** Tuesday 4th week, Easter (Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30)
- **Wednesday, 24:** Wednesday 4th week, Easter (Acts 12:24-13:5; Jn 12:44-50)
- **Thursday, 25:** ANZAC Day (Wis 3:1-9; 1 Cor 1:18-25; Jn 12:23-28)
- **Friday, 26:** St Mark, evangelist (1 Pet 5:5-14; Mk 16:15-20)
- **Saturday, 27:** Saturday 4th week, Easter (Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14)
- **Sunday 28:** FIFTH SUNDAY of EASTER (Acts 9:26-31; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8)



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.