



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND
BLOOD OF CHRIST - YEAR C

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

Genesis 14:18-20

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine; he was a priest of God Most High. He pronounced this blessing: 'Blessed be Abraham by God Most High, creator of heaven and earth, and blessed be God Most High for handing over your enemies to you.' And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 109:1-4

*You are a priest forever,
in the line of Melchizedek.*

1. The Lord's revelation to my Master: "Sit on my right: I will put your foes beneath your feet." <R>
2. The Lord will send from Zion your sceptre of power: rule in the midst of all your foes. <R>
3. A prince from the day of your birth on the holy mountains; from the womb before the daybreak I begot you. <R>
4. The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change. "You are a priest for ever, a priest like Melchizedek of old". <R>

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you: that on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, 'This is my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me.' In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.' Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming his death.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 6:51-52

Alleluia, alleluia!

*I am the living bread from heaven,
says the Lord; Whoever eats this
bread will live forever. Alleluia!*

GOSPEL

Luke 9:11-17

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing.

It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said, (Continued page 4)



Bulletin Board

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

Graham Blacket, John Blacket,
Paul Fahey, John Tregeagle,
Betty Berry, Geoff & Rose Munro,
Mark Kelly, Pat Mezzino,
Tommy & Eileen McCoey,
Mairead & Neil Cummings,
Mary Ferguson, Geoff Chalmers,

ANNIVERSARIES

Rita Sullivan, Mary Meade,
Patrine Harris

RECENTLY DECEASED

John Slagter, Joan Matthews,
Rom Kurlavicius

PARISH COLLECTION 14th June & 15th June

1st (Presbytery) \$834.25
2nd (Parish) \$1,058.30

VICTOR MORNING TEA

22nd June

W. & J. Baker

29th June

M. Cunningham & F. Hanna

VICTOR MEET & GREET June Saturdays

M. Farmer & H. Anderson

June Sundays

R. Reid & A. Rose

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

June S. & R. Lee

MORNING TEA

JUNE C. Grimmer, M. O'Halloran,
J. Ryan

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP



Practice 3.00pm Wednesday.
Claire Williams 0429 008 199

HOLY FATHER'S 2025 PRAYER INTENTIONS:



FOR JUNE: That the world might grow in compassion

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his heart, learn to have compassion on the World.

GIFTS FROM AUSTRALIA FOR POPE LEO

The new Australian Ambassador to the Holy See, Keith Pitt presented the Pope with foods representing the country: Macadamia nuts, Bundaberg rum (made in the Ambassador's home region of Queensland), rum and raisin chocolates, homemade ANZAC (Australian and New Zealand Army Corps) biscuits, red wine, and Tim Tams. *Vatican News*

VINNIES MEETING - Wednesday 25th June at 10am at Goolwa.

New members always welcome.

DON'T FORGET VINNIES WINTER APPEAL



Envelopes are still available in the porches at both our churches.

Winter can be very difficult.

Any donation no matter how small is appreciated.

All money received in our parish goes to help our local needy.

Thank you for caring!

SUMMARY NOTES of PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - MAY

- **Helen Taylor, chair of the finance group**, presented to the Council an update of the financial state of the parish. In the past year there has been cushion seating

placed in both churches and a replacement of the front fence at

Victor. This year it is proposed to have fine gravel spread over the Goolwa car park.



- The Council was introduced to **Andy Nicholls, the new Integrity and Safeguarding Contact Officer for the parish.**

He will be working to safeguard children, youth and at risk adults including the elderly in the parish. His details are on the back of the Encounter.

Full copies of the minutes will be on both church notice boards by next week.

DO YOU KNOW YOUR PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL?

Who are the 2025 members of the PPC?

(in alphabetical order)

John Buchan

Pat Clingan (Parish Manager)

John Dunthorne

Anne Fawkner

Marilyn Freeborn

Paul Kenelly (Chair)

Mary Libutan

Sue McCarthy

Steve Muller

Peter Redden,

Robin Reid,

Father Vinh Tran

Rose Mulraney is consultant to the PPC

with regard to our Vision and Mission statement activities.

The PPC plays an important role in the running of our parish.

So we thank our volunteer PPC members for their generosity.

Please reach out to them if you have any concerns.



ANNOUNCEMENT OF DIOCESAN SYNOD IN 2026



On Pentecost Sunday the Archbishop announced that there will be a **Diocesan Synod** in May and June of 2026.

Previously we have had three Diocesan Assemblies and also a whole of Australia Plenary Council but this time it is **not an Assembly but a Synod**.

A Synod emphasizes that we are **all walking together** - bishops, priests and religious, lay men and women, all listened to, all respected.

The Spirit can speak through any one of us...

COMORO DISPLAY

This weekend we have a display in our porches of some of our Comoro projects including our new toilet facility. ***Please take the time to have a look at what our two parishes have achieved.***

WORM JUICE will be on sale at Victor for Comoro - \$5.00 a container.



THE JUBILEE OF GOVERNMENTS - 20th to 22nd June - is aimed at fostering dialogue and collaboration among global leaders. This gathering seeks to inspire governments worldwide to embrace principles of justice, peace, and sustainable development, reflecting the Church's commitment to promoting the common good.

SOUTHERN CROSS

the June edition has a striking picture of Pope Leo on the cover. Also in the centre spread there is a list of all the councils and commissions in the Archdiocese. If you wondered who was helping to run the Archdiocese this page will reveal all!!!

JUNE EARTHCARE THEME- TREES



Thanks to all who contributed to our Earthcare Tree Sunday quiz at St Joan's. The most popular tree was the Red Flowering Gum in Renown Avenue followed by the Red Flowering Callistemon in Nangawooka Native Gardens.

People added personal favourites including a Weeping Mulberry, the Callistemon next to Drakes, Dromana Pde and the tree in my backyard. (Many thanks from Meredith.)

Thanks also to those who have sent in photos of trees that speak to them in some way. *The winning trees will be announced next week.*

For those who are computer savvy Control/Click on this link [aatree photos](#) and then click on each of the photos listed.

We give thanks to God for the trees in our lives!

DEATH OF ROM KURLAVICIUS

who died at 102 years of age at Sandpiper Lodge in the early hours of last Monday morning. Funeral news at later date. May he rest in peace.

THIS WEEK: 21st & 22nd June

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: L. Blacket

R.1 J. Jeffery
R.2 M. Mulvihill

EMHC E. O'Connell

Sunday 11am

Commentator: F. Hanna

R. 1 G. Ryan
R. 2 L. Sunman

EMHC P. Clingan

GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: Marie Riddle

R1 P. Kennelly
R.2 A. Cowley

EMHC R. Austin



NEXT WEEK: 28th & 29th June

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 C. Sutherland
R.2 A. Fawcner

EMHC J. Jeffery

Sunday 11am

Commentator: T. Hounslow

R. 1 P. Clingan
R. 2 P. O'Brien

EMHC A. Rose

GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: A. Fawcner

R1 E. Bourne
R.2 D. Huppertz

EMHC S. Muller

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RAMINDJERI land

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

• PARISH PRIEST

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• PARISH MANAGER

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• PARISH ENCOUNTER

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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• INTEGRITY and SAFEGUARDING

- Integrity and Safeguarding Dept (8210 8159)
- Victor Harbor/Goolwa contact: Andy Nicholls (0475 893 521)

- CSHW SA (Safety, Health, Welfare) Contact Cathy May (0401 584 237)



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'Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a lonely place here.' He replied, 'Give them something to eat yourselves.' But they said, 'We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people.' For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples, 'Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty.' They did so and made them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and said the blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets.

SATISFACTION GUARANTEED

Often, no matter how dire their circumstances, a beautiful peaceful look will wash over the face of a nursing mother. These women report an overwhelming sense of joy in nurturing and nourishing their young. Providing for the health and well-being of a loved one is an extremely satisfying experience for anyone: parents caring for children, children caring for ailing parents, lovers caring for their mates. In the most Christian of acts, we offer ourselves – our flesh and blood, time and energy – out of love for another human being.

But even as we experience a deep satisfaction in caring for others, worry and exhaustion can constantly hound us, and all too often impatience and resentment creep in. That is when the caretakers need their own nourishment. Who is there to feed them? Sooner or later all hunger leads to Christ. He offers us the bread of life. If we eat it, we will never hunger. If we drink from his cup, we will never thirst.

Why? Because in the very act of sharing in his body and blood, we will come to know that we are loved. Anxiety and worry are brought to rest, and we move through another day, certain that God is with us, sustaining us and allowing us a small taste of

God's unending glory with each caring act we perform.

TOOK, BLESSED, BROKE, GAVE

Took, blessed, broke, gave. Those are the four actions Jesus repeats both here and at the Last Supper. They spell out the activity of our Eucharist, as well as our call to be food for a hungry world.

Took and break are both aggressive, even violent words. They remind us that Jesus was taken, and broken; what we commemorate at our table is not a gentle story. Blessed and gave are both words of generosity. They remind us that our dinner is a celebration, a party where gifts are given and each member is honoured. There is a cause for rejoicing here.

Curious, though, how the blessing comes after the taking; how the sharing follows the breaking. The violence is mixed in with the gladness, and sorrow penetrates the celebration. Unless the bread is broken, you cannot have the sharing. In the same way, we come to understand that until we are willing to be taken, we cannot know the fullness of the blessing that awaits us. And unless we are prepared to be broken, we cannot give ourselves entirely to the mission that is ours.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(23 - 29 June)

- **Monday, 23:** Weekday, Ord Time 12 (Gen 12:1-9; Mt 7:1-5)
- **Tuesday, 24:** The Nativity of St John the Baptist (Is 49:1-6; Lk 1:57-66, 80)
- **Wednesday, 25:** Weekday, Ord Time 12 (Gen 15:1-12, 17-18; Mt 7:15-20)
- **Thursday, 26:** Weekday, Ord Time 12 (Gen 16:1-12, 15-16; Mt 7:21-29)
- **Friday, 27:** The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (Ezek 34:11-16; Rom 5:5-11)
- **Saturday, 28:** Weekday, Ord Time 12 (Gen 18:1-15; Mt 8:5-17)
- **Sunday 29:** Sts Peter and Paul (Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19)

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.