



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER -
YEAR C

*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

PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU;
my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives.

*Do not let your hearts
be troubled and
do not be afraid.*

-John 14:27

FIRST READING

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us; and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated

their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols; from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

O God, let all the nations praise you!

SECOND READING

Apocalypse 21:10-14, 22-23

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation

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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, Charlie Nicolson, Paula Collinson, June Lloyd, Eileen McCoe, Carmen Kernahan, Margaret & Len Peake, Ron & Patrine Harris, Neil Cumming, Clancy Retallick, Ross Ford, Ann & Kevin Hannagan

RECENTLY DECEASED

Garry Butterworth

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR MAY

Faith-Filled Young People

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.



GOOLWA NEWS

K S C LUNCHEON

on Thursday 26th May from 12 noon at St. John's Church Hall. Guest speaker is John Dunthorne. John is a well known and respected member of the parish, and recently served as Covid Marshal to Goolwa over the past

2 years. He is also a former prison governor, and with the places he has travelled he should be a very interesting

speaker, with a few laughs along the way. Tickets are \$20 each which includes a STEAK luncheon with sausages and delicious salads. Drinks are BYO and

we ask you to bring a steak knife to save our costs. Your ticket will also put you in for cash prizes of \$100, \$50 and two \$25 pay outs.

Bookings: phone Paul on 0402 852 825.



45 CLUB

The next draw for the 45 Club starts on Sunday 28th May. For \$20 you get a chance in 10 weekly draws of \$25 and a final draw of \$150 first prize and \$50 second prize. The proceeds go to needy causes supported by the Knights of the Southern Cross. Please ring Robert Lee on 0409 945 019.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

We welcome Asha Kuchel, Sandra Potts and Teresita Wilder, Emma Pelmez (Victor Harbor) and Clare Karvonen (Goolwa) to our Parish. We hope that you feel at home in our community.

PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE



The Catholic and Lutheran Churches of Goolwa join together to raise money for Cancer Research. The other churches too are hosting events - all in the name of "Combined Churches of Goolwa"

Date: Tuesday 24th May 2022

Time: 10.00am to 12 noon

Place: Catholic Church, Gardiner St. Goolwa

Donation: \$5.00 per person

On the morning there will be:

Morning tea

Entertainment by the Ukulele Group and poet

Michael Riddle

Raffle prizes will be drawn.

Remember: **Bookings are essential** for number control. Secure your seat by donating \$5.00.

Raffle tickets available on the day. If you cannot join us a donation would be appreciated.

RSVP: Sunday 15th May. Vivi: 0439 430 486

PARISH COLLECTION

14th & 15th May

1st (Presbytery) \$ 709.25
2nd (Parish) \$1215.00

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

27th May & 3rd June

M. Farmer & C. Pearsons

VICTOR MORNING TEA

22nd May

F. Hanna & M. Mattsson

29th May

M. Cunningham & J. Andrews

VICTOR MEET & GREET

May Saturdays

M. Farmer & E. O'Connell

May Sundays

L. Sunman & F. Harris

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

May

P. Kennelly

MORNING TEA May

A. Turner, L. Clayson,

G. Kennedy, M. Burfitt

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice time 2pm Wednesday

Call Claire Williams 0429 008 199

HARVESTERS

- Would this new SA spirituality group suit you?

No cost and no meetings!

It began through the pastoral commitment of Monsignor Robert Egar ('Father Rob') to help people grow in their own faith and share that faith with others. Fr Rob reminded us of Jesus' words 'the harvest is rich but the labourers are few' (Luke 10:2). The Harvesters commit to four activities; and there is **no cost and no meetings**

Four Activities

Read a Gospel passage each day.

Greet Co-workers and Fellow Parishioners

Warmly

Do something for the poor, lonely or alienated at least once a month

Read and Reflect on the Harvesters' Monthly Message.

If you are interested their website is:

<https://harvestersplace.com.au/>

If you need more information call Rachele Tullio on 0422 969 273.



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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

6th SUNDAY of EASTER, YR.C

O God, let all the nations praise you!

O God, be gracious and bless us
and let Your face shed its light upon us.
So will Your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn Your saving help....

Let the nations be glad and exult
for You rule the world with justice.
With fairness You rule the peoples,
You guide the nations on earth....

Let the peoples praise You, O God;
let all the peoples praise You.
May God still give us His blessing
till the ends



OUR LADY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS

Feast Day 24th May

Today the Church in Australia celebrates



the **Solemnity of Mary Help of Christians**. Mary Help of Christians was adopted as patron of the new Church of Australia in 1844, at a significant time in their history.

British settlement was just over fifty years old, the transportation of convicts was coming to an end, and the first elections in Australian history had been held in 1843. Issues of land, immigration and education had begun to surface and the Church was involved in these social problems. The Holy See confirmed Mary, Help of Christians as our patron in 1852.

LAUDATO SI' WEEK AUSTRALIA -

MAY 16th TO 24th

This week is a celebration of Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si'*.



***Laudato Si* invites us to adopt sustainable lifestyles, encouraging greater material simplicity.**

The Australian Bishops suggest we ask ourselves the following questions when we are going to buy something, be it household goods or goods for personal use.

Do I really need this? Will this really make me happy?

Lord give us the generosity to live more simply and sustainably.

Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace Australia

PRAY FOR THE PLENARY COUNCIL

("More things are brought about by prayer than this world dreams of.")

5 WEEKS TO GO



To you, O blessed Joseph, most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ;

O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness.

As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. St Leo XIII

NOTES FROM 27th April 2022 PPC MEETING



Invitation - Future PPC

Members: If any parishioner is interested in contributing to the Parish as

a Member of the next PPC please speak to Father Vinh / PPC Members. New Members will be announced at the Parish Annual General Assembly (Sunday 30 October 2022).

Review and update of Victor Harbor/ Goolwa Parish Action Plan 2021-2022:

PPC Members are currently meeting with Father Vinh, Parish Managers and parishioners about the Parish Vision and Mission Statement so, if you would like to suggest an idea and/or give feedback please speak with Father Vinh or a PPC Member before 31 May 2022.

South Coast Christian Community Care Inc. (SCCCC):

Our Parish is collecting non-perishable food for the SCCC pantry to give to people who need a hand up so, if you would like to assist please bring non-perishable food items to Mass 11-12, 18-19 & 26-27 June.

Invitation to groups within the Parish:

If you would like to invite other parishioners to join a group you belong to in the Parish and/or promote an activity please contact Pat Clingan, Parish Manager who will include the information in the *Encounter*.

PPC meeting Minutes: Approved Minutes are available to read on Church noticeboards.

THIS WEEK 21st & 22nd May

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 B. Bullen

R.2 J. Jeffery

E.M. M. Farmer

Sunday 11.00am

Commentator: R. Klecko

R. 1 L. Sunman

R. 2 S. Duong

E.M. P. O'Brien

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: V. Scriva

R. 1 E. Bourne

R. 2 K. O'Shea

E.M. T. Siciliano



NEXT WEEK 28th & 29th May

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 C. Hupatz

R.2 C. Sutherland

E.M. S. Duong

Sunday 11.00am

Commentator: P. O'Brien

R. 1 P. Clingan

R. 2 T. Hounslow

E.M. M. Cunningham

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: Marie Riddle

R. 1 M. Mulvihill

R. 2 Michael Riddle

E.M. R. Austin

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 17/05/22)

- If you have tested positive for COVID-19, please follow the SA Health instructions in regard to isolating and other government health protocols. Stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- There are now no density limits for places of worship; Churches can return to full capacity.
- Masks are highly recommended by the Archdiocese.
- R codes or sign-ins are no longer required.
- Attendees at indoor religious services may sing during worship.
- Please keep in mind the importance of social distancing and good hygiene practices.
- Hand sanitizer is available at Church entrances.
- There should be no shaking of hands or holding hands during Mass.

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

• PARISH PRIEST

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Email: Vinh2511@bigpond.com

• PARISH MANAGERS

Mr Ray Klecko (0438 364 870)
Mrs Pat Clingan (0410 593 617)
Email: Parish_manager@bigpond.com

• 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)

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stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 14:23-29

Jesus said to his disciples:

‘If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him.

Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own: it is the word of the one who sent me.

I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.

Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return.

If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I.

I have told you this now before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.’



FAITH IS A FAMILY FEAST

At our house, Sunday lunch was pasta. It always had been and I guess that I always expected that it would be. When I left home and went off to university, after the Sunday community Mass, the entire student population would gather in the dining

hall for a big banquet meal. But it never was pasta, so I found that I was never satisfied. It might have been ham or roast beef or fried chicken. It didn't matter. I was used to and needed pasta on Sunday.

Decades have passed. But give me a choice, and on Sundays I would most like to be with my family sharing, steaming bowls of pasta like we used to. It doesn't happen as often now. But when we do gather it remains a very special time for me. It is funny how something like a pasta meal can become so much a part of my identity, of who I am.

So, too, our identity as Christians can be traced to our Baptism and our Confirmation and our reception of the Eucharist in what we called the sacraments of initiation that give to us the gift of the Holy Spirit, God's loving presence with us.

Just as I learned to take my familial identity with me and have it be part of who I am, even on those pasta-less Sundays, the days I am with my family, so, too, my identity as a Christian rests in the realisation that the Spirit, by virtue of all the sacraments, walks with me wherever my life's journey takes me.

GPBS eNews

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(23 - 29 May)

- **Monday, 23:** Monday, 6th week of Easter (Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26 - 16:4)
- **Tuesday, 24:** Our Lady, Help of Christians (Gen 3:9-15, 20; Eph 3:14-19; Lk 8:19-21)
- **Wednesday, 25:** Wednesday, 6th week of Easter (Acts 17:15, 22 - 18:1; Jn 16:12-15)
- **Thursday, 26:** St Philip Neri (Acts 18:12-8; Jn 16:16-20)
- **Friday, 27:** Friday, 6th week of Easter (Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23)
- **Saturday, 28:** Saturday, 6th week of Easter (Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23-28)
- **Sunday 29:** The ASCENSION of the LORD (Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Lk 24:46-53)

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.