



# Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

THIRTIETH 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



**SAVED  
FROM THE  
SIDE  
OF THE  
ROAD**

**Mark 10:46-52**

## FIRST READING

**Jeremiah 31:7-9**

The Lord says this:

Shout with joy for Jacob!

Hail the chief of nations!

Proclaim! Praise! Shout:

‘The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel!’

See, I will bring them back from the land of the North and gather them from the far ends of earth; all of them: the blind and the lame, women with child, women in labour: a great company returning here.

They had left in tears, I will comfort them as I lead them back; I will guide them to streams of water, by a smooth path where they will not stumble.

For I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-born son.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Ps 125**

*The Lord has done great things  
for us; we are filled with joy.*

## SECOND READING

**Hebrews 5:1-6**

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why

he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: *You are my son, today I have become your father*, and in another text: *You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**2 Tim 1:10**

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel.*

*Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

**Mark 10:46-52**

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road.

When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, ‘Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.’ And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, ‘Son of David, have pity on me.’ Jesus stopped and said, ‘Call him here.’ So they called the blind man. ‘Courage,’ they said ‘get up; he is calling you.’

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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,  
Brian Smallacombe, Barry Wilks,  
Bailey Smallacombe,  
Bill Longworth, , Mark & Lola Kelly,  
Peter Harris, Josephine Proctor,  
Jen Jeffery, Charlie Nicolson,  
Bette Higgins, Paula Collinson,  
June Lloyd, Ann Tee,  
Emily Slattery,  
Shona Edwards, Eileen McCoe,  
Carmen Kernahan,  
Tanya Schindler, Freya Schindler,  
Bob Willis.

## ANNIVERSARIES

Margaret Hope

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Russell Crighton, Kathleen Myatt,  
Janet Marchant

## PARISH COLLECTION 16th & 17th October

1st (Presbytery)	\$878.90
2nd (Parish)	\$1619.95
Special collection	\$626.15

## VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER 22nd October

W. & J. Baker

## 29th October & 5th November

J. & P. Mezzino

## VICTOR MORNING TEA 24th October

A. Temme & M. Chalmers

## 31st October

F. Hanna & M. Mattson

## VICTOR MEET & GREET October Saturdays

M. Farmer & M. Tuckey

## October Sundays

W. Baker & J. Schulze

## GOOLWA MEET & GREET October

A. Turner

## ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice time 2pm Wednesday

Call Claire Williams 0429 008 199

## THE HOLY FATHER'S 2021

### PRAYER INTENTIONS:

### OCTOBER

### Intention for evangelization:

### Missionary disciples

We pray that every baptised person may be engaged in

evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

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## MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON

### at Goolwa Church Hall on Tues. 2nd

**November.** Tickets will be \$20 each which will provide for a chicken, ham and salad lunch, and a chance to win 7 cash prizes available. We have a TV telecast of the race as well as sweeps being held. B.Y.O drinks. The best dressed lady and best dressed gent as judged by our respected judges will each take home a bottle of wine. All in the parish will be most welcome and we all look forward to a great day. Joe Ryan will be our MC. Tables and chairs will be set up from 10am Monday 1st November. Bookings will close on Friday 29th October for catering purposes:

Phone Paul on 0402 852 825.

Covid rules as directed by parish office will apply.

## HELPING OUR SISTER PARISH COMORO

### Monster Garage Sale



Date: November 27th

Donation of goods:

John Dunthorne:

0437 515 144

John Baker: 0419 046 147

**Collection and storage of goods progressing well.**

**Keep up the good work.**

## GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Just a reminder to pick up your new name tag from the porch and let us know if yours isn't there. **And**

**now the challenge of remembering to wear it!**

Suggestions from parishioners

Leave it in the car, your purse, ladies, on the table near the front door, put a reminder in your iPhone!!

**As we get older remembering names is more difficult. Help us all by wearing your name tag!!!**



## OCTOBER: MONTH OF THE ROSARY



The Rosary is a

### Christ-centred meditation

setting forth the entire life of Jesus Christ, the passion, death, resurrection and glory.

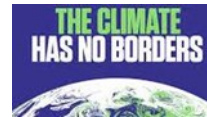
The Rosary honours and contemplates Mary too, and rightly so. "Because of the mission

she received from God, her life is most closely linked with the mysteries of Jesus Christ, and there is no one who has followed in the footsteps of the Incarnate Word more closely and with more merit than she". (Mediator Dei).

Meditation on this cycle of Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and Luminous Mysteries **makes the Rosary "a summary of the Gospel and of Christian life."** So the Rosary stands revealed as a wonderful teacher and nurturer of Christian faith, morality, and the spiritual life.

*Mariology, J.B. Carol, OFM*

## THE FUTURE OF OUR PLANET



One of the most important events for the future of our planet starts in Glasgow on October 31st, **the 26th UN Climate Change**

**Conference of the Parties (COP26)**. World leaders are coming together with their plans to keep our planet's warming to 1.5 degrees. Last week we took a pledge to pray with and for Creation. We can't be at this vital meeting but we can pray for the delegates and their deliberations. Perhaps we can stand up for Creation by writing to our politicians to share our hopes for the conference.

## RECYCLING NEWS

Coffee pods, tooth brushes and pens are now recyclable in bins located in **VH Council foyer**- a bin there also takes all batteries

except mobile phones There is also a bin for writing gear- highlighters, felt tip markers, correction tape pots and above all- those discarded ink cartridges!

More useful information on a stand too!



# Bulletin Board



## RESPONSORIAL PSALM 30th SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME YR.B

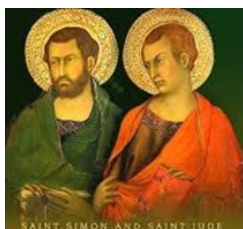
*The Lord has done great things for us;  
we are filled with joy.*

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,  
it seemed like a dream.  
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,  
on our lips there were songs.  
The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels  
the Lord worked for them!'  
What marvels the Lord worked for us!  
Indeed we were glad.  
Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage  
as streams in dry land.  
Those who are sowing in tears  
will sing when they reap.  
They go out, they go out, full of tears,  
carrying seed for the sowing:  
they come back, they come back, full of song,  
carrying their sheaves.



## SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE Feast Day 28th October

Today the Church celebrates the feast of Sts. Simon and Jude. We know nothing for certain about them beyond what is told us of their being called as Apostles in the New Testament. However little is known about them, they contributed to this great work of spreading the story of Jesus as eyewitnesses. The grateful Church thus prays to our Lord today: "O God, through the work of the apostles you have spoken your Word of love, your Son, into our world's deafness. Open our ears to hear; open our hearts to heed, open our will to obey, that we may proclaim the good news with our lives."



*St Jude is the patron of desperate situations, forgotten causes, impossible causes, lost causes, hospital workers, hospitals.*  
*Franciscan Media.*

## SAINT JOHN OF CAPISTRANO

**Feast Day 23rd October  
(1386 – c.1456)**

St. John was born at Capistrano in the Italian Province of the Abruzzi. He became governor of Perugia while a lawyer. When war broke out between Perugia and Malatesta in 1416, St. John became a prisoner of war when he tried to broker a peace. On his wife's death he entered the order of Friars Minor, was ordained and began to lead a very penitential life. In 1420 while a deacon John became a disciple of Saint Bernadine of Siena. At that time thirty percent of the population was killed by the Black Plague, the Church was split in schism and there were several men claiming to be pope. St. John preached to tens of thousands throughout Italy, Europe and Russia and established communities of Franciscan renewal. He reportedly healed the sick by making the Sign of the Cross over them. He successfully reconciled heretics and after the fall of Constantinople, at age 70 he was commissioned by Pope Callistus II to lead a crusade of 70,000 Christian soldiers against the Turks. He won the battle of Belgrade in the summer of 1456. He died in the field a few months later. - *Catholic Culture*



## ASSEMBLY, COUNCIL, SYNOD



Language can be confusing but all these words mean the same thing:

***The Church coming together as the pilgrim***

***people of God sharing their experience and insights and discerning the future.***

We have had our

Diocesan **Assembly**

Our Plenary **Council** - First Stage.

Now Pope Francis has called a

**SYNOD of all Bishops in the Church.**

It has been described as

*"the most ambitious attempt at*

*Catholic reform for 60 years."* It is

a two-year process to

**consult every Catholic parish**

around the world on the future direction of the Church.

**May the Holy Spirit be at the heart of all our gatherings.**

## This Week : 23rd & 24th October

**VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm**

**Commentator:** J. Ryan

**R.1** M. Farmer

**R.2** J. Jeffery

**E.M.** E. O'Connell

**VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am**

**Commentator :** T. Hounslow

**R.1.** J. Tregeagle

**R.2** A. Rose

**E.M** J. Baker

**GOOLWA Sunday 9.00am**

**Commentator:** P. Kennelly

**R1** J. McMahon

**R2** L. Longworth

**E.M.** T.Siciliano



## Next Week : 30th & 31st October

**VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm**

**Commentator:** E. O'Shaughnessy

**R.1** J. Ryan

**R.2** M. Farmer

**E.M.** E. O'Connell

**VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am**

**Commentator :** R. Klecko

**R.1.** S. Duong

**R.2** P. O'Brien

**E.M** P. Clingan

**GOOLWA Sunday 9.00am**

**Commentator:** M. Freeborn

**R1** G. Byrne

**R2** H. Harris

**E.M.** A. Turner



## COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 19 October, 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.
- 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.

## VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE

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Web: [www.victorgoolwacatholic.org.au](http://www.victorgoolwacatholic.org.au)

## PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

### • PARISH PRIEST

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Email: [Vinh2511@bigpond.com](mailto:Vinh2511@bigpond.com)

### • 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](mailto:catholicvhg@bigpond.com) (*All items for the newsletter by Wednesday evening*)

### • PARISH TREASURER

Mr Merv Mallett (0412 103 443)  
Email: [Parish\\_treasure@bigpond.com](mailto: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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So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

## SEE THE WAY

One day at work I got a call from my sister. She was dealing with a difficult situation at home, but she caught me at an awkward time when I was up to my ears in deadlines, and I was neither much help nor much support. We both ended the call feeling lost and hurt and confused. Rather than sit and stew I took a break and walked over to St Peter Julian's, a church in downtown Sydney that's open all day long. As I sat in one of the back rows off to the side, I saw dozens, if not hundreds of people come in, kneel, and say their prayers. A number of them looked like I felt - in need of some kind of help.

I remembered the question Jesus put to Bartimaeus: "What do you want me to do for you?" Like Bartimaeus I prayed, "Master, I want to see". I wanted to see a different and better way of acting. I wanted to see what I had done wrong and a way to make it right. I wanted to see beyond my own hurt feelings to a place where my sister and I were back on the same page again rather than at odds. I think a lot of us in the church that day were offering the same prayer: "Master, I want to see".

I'm sure that once I made my prayer and went back to work, God found little ways throughout the day to let me see the way. For me, it usually doesn't come as a flash of light, but the divine light shines, nonetheless. And the more I ask, the more I see.

The Commissioning: Open your eyes; rejoice in the glory of God's creation! Open your eyes; rejoice in the friendships you have made and can make! Open your eyes; rejoice in the community of faith who supports you and who is with you! Open your eyes; rejoice in the challenges of the week that lies ahead of you! Open your

heart; rejoice in the God who goes with you and who will sustain you! We are wide eyed, waiting in joy and in hope. *GPBS eNews*

## EXPLORING THE WORD

This scene from the gospel is very easy to picture in our minds. A blind beggar sits in the dusty gutter in his despair and abandonment. Most people would look the other way and ignore him. To be afflicted in such a way was seen to be a result of sinfulness. But Bartimaeus hears the noise of the crowd and tunes in. No doubt, in the commotion, he hears others saying that it is Jesus of Nazareth who approaches. The cry of Bartimaeus is very instructive, 'Son of David, have pity on me'. Not only does the blind man recognise who Jesus is, but what he can do. He is the Messiah, therefore he can make the blind see. Jesus responds with a classic invitation to discipleship, 'Call him here'. In response to this call to come to Jesus, Bartimaeus leaves behind what is probably his only possession (in contrast to the rich young man), his cloak, and presents himself in his nothingness, ready to be filled with all that Jesus can offer. His faith, his receptivity and his response to the invitation are rewarded. His sight restored, he follows Jesus along the road. What a profound lesson there is to be learned from Bartimaeus.

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(October 25 - 31)

- **Monday, 25:** Weekday, Ord Time 30 (Rom 8:12-17; Lk 13:10-17)
- **Tuesday, 26:** Weekday, Ord Time 30 (Rom 8:18-25; Lk 13:18-21)
- **Wednesday, 27:** Weekday, Ord Time 30 (Rom 8:26-30; Lk 13:22-30)
- **Thursday, 28:** Sts Simon and Jude (Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-19)
- **Friday, 29:** Weekday, Ord Time 30 (Rom 9:1-5; Lk 14:1-6)
- **Saturday, 30:** Weekday, Ord Time 30 (Rom 11:1-2, 11-12, 25-29; Lk 14:1, 7-11)
- **Sunday 31:** 31<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Deut 6:2-6; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28-34)

## 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).