



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

THIRTY-FIRST 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

Called to Love

Mark 12: 28-34

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord the God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow.

'Listen, Israel: the Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51

I love you, Lord, my strength.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 7:23-28

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, Christ, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to

intercede for all who come to God through him.

To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

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

Mark 12:28-34

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart,

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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, Barry Wilks, Brian Smallacombe, Bob Willis, Bailey Smallacombe, Bill Longworth, 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, Margaret & Len Peake

ANNIVERSARIES

Dorothy Higgins

RECENTLY DECEASED

Russell Crighton, Kathleen Myatt, Janet Marchant

PARISH COLLECTION 23rd & 24th October

1st (Presbytery)	\$787.80
2nd (Parish)	\$ 1093.10

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER 29th October & 5th November

J. & P. Mezzino
12th & 19th November
M. Farmer & C. Pearsons

VICTOR MORNING TEA 31st October

F. Hanna & M. Mattson

VICTOR MEET & GREET November Saturdays

M. Farmer & E. O'Connell

November Sundays

L. Sunman F. Harris

GOOLWA MEET & GREET November

J. McInnes

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.

MONSTER GARAGE SALE

Date: November 27th



Wanted: Volunteers to help set up on the 26th and to take care of a stall on the day.

Ring John Dunthorne:

0437 515 144 or John Baker: 0419 046 147 if you can help. Goods are still needed so plan your contribution now. Thank you.

COMORO RAFFLE

[Thanks to some generous donors we are holding a raffle for our Comoro project.](#)

Prizes:

[2 litres of Extra Virgin Olive Oil](#)

[called "Five Wise Virgins" and](#)

[1 bottle of wine](#)

[Cabernet Merlot Verdot from Coonawarra](#)

[2017 or Shiraz 2014 from Clare Valley](#)

[Tickets \\$1.00 . On sale after each Mass](#)

FAITH COMMUNITIES DEMAND MORE CLIMATE ACTION AT PROTESTS ACROSS AUSTRALIA

St Francis Xavier's Catholic Cathedral in



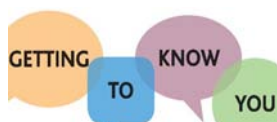
Adelaide was among 110 places of worship across Australia displaying banners or holding

events as part of a global faith day of action yesterday calling on Prime Minister Scott Morrison to **"Protect Creation"** and take **"Bold climate action by 2030, starting now"** adorning cathedrals, churches, Buddhist temples and a mosque.

NOVEMBER

'Getting to know you'

Don't forget your name tags.



MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON

at Goolwa Church Hall on Tues. 2nd November. Tickets will be \$20 each includes 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. 11.30am start. Phone Paul on 0402 852 825. Parish Covid rules will apply.

GOOLWA NEWS:

Goolwa garden clean up. Please note due to the Melbourne cup luncheon being held this Tuesday the next garden clean up will be held on Tuesday 9th November

Well spoken John Dunthorne! Last week at our Goolwa Sunday morning Mass John got up to seek volunteers to assist at the jumble sale for the Comoro parish, which of course is our twin parish. John then went on to speak of his time in the parish, and the friendly people who sat around him. Then he looked around one day and noticed the people who were involved in the working of our Catholic community, and decided to give a hand himself. He is now a member of the PPC was heavily involved in the Covid changes we had to make, including calling parish members to see if they were ok whilst lockdown was on. He is still acting as Covid Marshall, and is a member of the committee organising the big bargain day on 27th November. He has recently joined the Knights of the Southern cross so he has certainly "got involved". John spoke of all these things in his unprepared, unscripted talk that came straight from the heart. They are usually the best talks! John concluded by saying the words of Late American President John Kennedy, just changing the obvious words "ask not what your Parish can do for you but what you can do for your Parish." The applause John received at the conclusion of his talk just showed how appreciated this inspiring talk was. Well done John!

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS MASS TIMES

Victor Harbor : 1st November - 9.00am

FEAST OF ALL SOULS MASS TIMES

Victor Harbor : 2nd November - 9.00am

ST JOAN'S CHRISTMAS DINNER

St Joan's Social Club will be holding their Christmas Dinner on Friday 3rd December. More information in next week's *Encounter*.

Bulletin Board



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

31st SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME YR B

I love You, Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help,
my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
when I call I am saved from my foes.

Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be the God who saves me.
He has given great victories to His king
and shown His love for His anointed.



SAINT MARTIN DE PORRES

Feast Day 3rd November

(1579 – 1639)



St. Martin de Porres was born at Lima, Peru, the illegitimate son of a Spanish gentleman. His mother was a freed-slave from

Panama. At 15, he became a lay brother at the Dominican Friary at Lima and spent his whole life there - as a barber, farm-labourer, and infirmarian, among other things. St. Martin's love was all-embracing, shown equally to humans and animals, including vermin, and he maintained a cats' and dogs' hospital at his sister's house. He also possessed spiritual wisdom, solved his sister's marriage problems, raised a dowry for his niece within three days, and resolved theological problems for his Order and for Bishops. He was canonized on May 6, 1962.

THANK YOU



Many thanks to Patricia Haynes for making her beautiful roses available to people on the Altar Roster to help brighten our church.

ALL SAINTS

1st November



The feast of All Saints should inspire us with tremendous hope. Among the saints in heaven are some whom we have known. All lived on earth lives like our own. They were baptized, marked with the sign of faith, they were faithful to Christ's teaching and they have gone before us to the heavenly home whence they call on us to follow them. The Gospel of the Beatitudes, read today, while it shows their happiness, shows, too, the road that they followed; there is no other that will lead us whither they have gone.
Catholic Culture

ALL SOULS' DAY

2nd November

The Church has encouraged prayer for the dead from the earliest times as an act of Christian charity. "If we had no care for the dead," Augustine noted, "we would not be in the habit of praying for them." Yet pre-Christian rites for the deceased retained such a strong hold on the superstitious imagination that a liturgical commemoration was not observed until the early Middle Ages, when monastic communities began to mark an annual day of prayer for the departed members.



In the middle of the 11th century, Saint Odilo, Abbot of Cluny, France, decreed that all Cluniac monasteries offer special prayers and sing the Office for the Dead on November 2, the day after the feast of All Saints. The custom spread from Cluny and was finally adopted throughout the Roman Church.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO

Feast Day 4th November

(b.1538 - d.1584)

St Charles was a member of a noble family and a nephew of Pope Pius IV. He was made a Cardinal at 23 and assisted the Pope in administering the affairs of the Holy See and in governing the Church. Soon thereafter he was made Archbishop of Milan.



We pray for Bishop Charles Gauci whose feast day is this day.

This 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



Next Week : 6th & 7th November

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 B. Bullen

R.2 J. Ryan

E.M. M. Farmer

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : F. Hanna

R.1. A. Williss

R.2 S. Duong

E.M P. O'Brien

GOOLWA Sunday 9.00am

Commentator: M. O'Halloran

R1 C. May

R2 L. Healey

E.M. R. Austin

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 26 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.

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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**
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Child Protection Unit (8210 8159)
Goolwa (Cathy May 0401 584 237)
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- **CSHW SA (Safety, Health & Welfare)**
Parish (Cathy May 0401 584 237)

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with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more.

MISSING BY A LITTLE BIT

Melissa gave herself plenty of time to get to the airport. But she didn't figure on the heavy traffic or the long line at the rental car desk. And the shuttle must have stopped a hundred times for more passengers headed home for the holidays.

At the check-in desk she had to wait behind a mob of people with tons of baggage. When she got to the counter, the ticket agent was alarmed, "You don't have time to check your bag," he said. "You'll have to carry it on. Hurry or you'll miss your flight". She raced to security, but her cosmetics, toothpaste, and manicure scissors set off all the alarms. It took forever, but they finally let her go, and as she raced down the concourse, she could hear her name being called on the public address system. Breathless, she arrived at the gate only to see her plane being pushed back from the gateway. She was crushed. So close, yet so far.

The young man who'd followed all the commandments all his life ended up "not far" from the kingdom of God, too. Imagine having that kind of moral track record and missing out. God's kingdom, you see, isn't a matter of being perfectly good, because no one is. Salvation can

never be earned. It must be accepted in faith, allowing the gracious gift of God to work its divine transformation in the human soul.

Love with a love that defies fear. We will love with a love that will not give in. Love with a love that seeks the best. We will love with a love that will not see the worst. Love with a love that finds joy in community. We will love with a love that makes friends. Love with a love that crosses boundaries. We will love with a love that confronts evil, wherever it is found. *GPBS eNews*

DID YOU KNOW?

- The title 'Son of David' was one applied to the longed-for anointed one of God. Its use indicates that Bartimaeus has recognised Jesus as the Messiah.
- Jericho is the main town on the west bank of the Jordan River in the south. It was the crossing point for people journeying from the north and led to the main road up to Jerusalem, 22 kilometres away. Jesus' journey to Jerusalem, and to his death, has almost ended.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(November 01 - 07)

- **Monday, 01:** All Saints (Apoc 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12)
- **Tuesday, 02:** All Souls (Readings from Masses for the Dead)
- **Wednesday, 03:** Weekday, Ord Time 31 (Rom 13:8-10; Lk 14:25-33)
- **Thursday, 04:** St Charles Borromeo (Rom 14:7-12; Lk 15:1-10)
- **Friday, 05:** Weekday, Ord Time 31 (Rom 15:14-21; Lk 16:1-8)
- **Saturday, 06:** Weekday, Ord Time 31 (Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Lk 16:9-15)
- **Sunday 07:** 32nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (1Kg 17:10-16; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44)

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).