



Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

(Part of the Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island Cluster of Catholic Parishes)



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - YEAR C

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VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

• PARISH PRIEST

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• PARISH MANAGERS

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Mr Ray Klecko (0438 364 870)
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• PARISH NEWSLETTER

Please forward items for the newsletter to the Parish Office - ph 8552 1084 or catholicvhg@bigpond.com
(All items for the newsletter must be received no later than Wednesday evening)

• PARISH TREASURER

Mrs Margaret Meade (8552 1084)
Email: Parish_treasure@bigpond.com

MASS CENTRES AND TIMES

• ST JOAN OF ARC

30 Seaview Road, Victor Harbor
MASS TIMES

Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday 11.00am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 11.00am - 11.30am

Saturday 5.30pm - 5.50pm

• ST JOHN THE APOSTLE

10-14 Gardiner Street, Goolwa
MASS TIMES

Sunday 9.00am

RECONCILIATION

Sunday 8.30am - 8.50am

CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159
Ian Reid (8552 4329)



FIRST READING

Jeremiah 33:14-16

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I am going to fulfil the promise I made to the House of Israel and the House of Judah:

‘In those days and at that time, I will make a virtuous Branch grow for David, who shall practise honesty and integrity in the land. In those days Judah shall be saved and Israel shall dwell in confidence. And this is the name the city will be called: The-Lord-our-integrity.’

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 24:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

May the Lord be generous in increasing your love and make you love one another and the whole human race as much as we love you. And may he so confirm your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless in the sight of our God

and Father when our Lord Jesus Christ comes with all his saints.

Finally, brothers, we urge you and appeal to you in the Lord Jesus to make more and more progress in the kind of life that you are meant to live: the life that God wants, as you learnt from us, and as you are already living it. You have not forgotten the instructions we gave you on the authority of the Lord Jesus.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Ps 84:8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars; on earth nations in agony, bewildered by the clamour of the ocean and its waves; men dying of fear as they await what menaces the world, for the powers of heaven will be shaken.

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Bulletin Board

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Barbara Bond, Father John Langtry, Mary Davis, Donald Telford, Angelo Falco, Valerie Londrigan, David Wark, Bob Healey, Duncan Kaye, John Wallace, Adrian and Margaret Langtry, Peter Bohnsack, Krys Milne, Josephine Proctor, Louise Elliott, Jan Sheehan, Jenny Winchester, Barbara McBride, Marie Courtney, Marie Manners, Michelle L, Brian Smallacombe, Gerard Siciliano, Brian Bullen, Margie Lloyd

ANNIVERSARIES

Andrew Cunningham.

PARISH COLLECTION 24th & 25th November

1st (Presbytery) \$1,110.00
2nd (Parish) \$1,876.00

VICTOR MORNING TEA 2nd December

M. Cunningham, & A. Wright

9th & 16th December

L. Sunman & P. Chigwidden

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

1st - 8th December

R. Kuske

15th – 22nd December

M. Farmer, C. Pearsons

VICTOR MEET & GREET

December Saturdays

M. Farmer & V. Wyld

December Sundays

R. Reid & J. Baker

ST JOAN'S CHOIR :

Practice time is 10.30am each Friday

GOOLWA MORNING TEA

December:

E. De Vries, D. McMahon, Ludi, C. May

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

December:

K. & A. Fawkner

ST JOHN'S CHOIR:

Practice Tuesdays 2.30pm .
Contact Athalea 0438 552 048

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2018 PRAYER INTENTIONS:

DECEMBER:

EVANGELISATION: In the Service of the Transmission of Faith

That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time..



EXPLORING THE GOSPEL

Meet every Sunday in the annex at 6.00pm

CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

We meet for Lectio Divina (Scripture Reflection) and **meditation** on Monday evenings. Please contact Anne Weygood for details. 0429 653844

PASTORAL CARE GROUP V.H.

Next meeting –Saturday 8th December at 4.30p.m. in the Annex. All welcome.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN ADVENT

CALENDARS for weeks 1 and 2 of Advent.

Children. parents or grandparents may pick up an Advent Calendar (free) in the porch.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

We are very pleased to welcome Margaret Thornton and Brian Coats (Goolwa) who join with us. We hope you enjoy being part of our parish.

WANT TO BECOME A CATHOLIC OR WISHING TO RENEW YOUR FAITH

Currently, there is one person who wishes to become part of our Catholic faith. Anyone interested in joining or renewing their faith please contact Father Vinh.

RECONCILIATION—CONFIRMATION—FIRST COMMUNION

These sacraments will be offered to the children in February 2019. Please contact Father Vinh.

SVdP CHRISTMAS CARDS are available in the porch. Pack of 10 for \$5.00

SVdP CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Donations of non-perishable food may be placed in the boxes provided in the porch and in the Annex. Thank you.

SPECIAL MINISTERS

Thank you for your service as a Minister of the Eucharist. When you consume the blood of Christ please do so with great reverence. At Goolwa please close the door.

THANK YOU

Kevin and Sue Rucioch sincerely thank the Victor Harbor/Goolwa Parish community for the wonderful farewell held at St Joan's last Sunday. We thank all who helped in any way and we especially thank Leonie McCallum for sharing her musical talents with us. We look forward to moving closer to family but will always have fond memories of our years in this parish.

GOOLWA PAGEANT

SUNDAY 16th DECEMBER

The interchurch group will have one float this year. If you would like to walk with us in the festival please see Paul.

Also Libby Wall is inviting any knitters to assist her in making covers for the bollards in Goolwa. If interested please contact Libby on 0402 293 396. A notice is on the church notice board at Goolwa

KSC NEWS

Look out for our big Christmas wine raffle, 15 bottles combined red and white wine, with 35 tickets at \$10 each. What a great time of the year to win such a prize. We look forward to your support and good luck.

We offer our prayers for Vice Chairman Ian Reid for his recovery from intense surgery and pray for all the sick in our parish at the present time.

CONGRATULATIONS ROSEMARY

On 7th December Rosemary Powell will celebrate her graduation as a "Pastoral Associate". Persons who serve the parish faith community as Pastoral Associates, and who by formation and education are qualified for this role, may be lay or religious, male or female, single or married.

They bring to the parish their competence and compassion, which finds expression in a wide range of services, that are both pastoral and professional.

ST JOAN'S MAINTENANCE GROUP

will hold their next meeting on Wednesday 12th December from 9.30 to 10.30 followed by a "thank you team/ Christmas morning tea".

Mark Leaney from the Parish Pastoral Council visited this group last week and was most impressed by their dedication to their work and the spirit of camaraderie that exists among them. So please gentlemen come along—if you aren't able to offer practical help join them for a cuppa.





PSALM FOR THE 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR C

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Lord, make me know your ways.
Lord, teach me your paths.
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
for you are God my saviour.

The Lord is good and upright.
He shows the path to those who stray,
He guides the humble in the right path;
He teaches His way to the poor.

His ways are faithfulness and love
for those who keep His covenant and will.
The Lord's friendship is for those who
revere Him;
to them He reveals His covenant.

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.



ST FRANCIS XAVIER Feast Day 3rd December



Francis Xavier was born in Spain and with St Ignatius Loyola became one of the seven who founded the Society of Jesus. He preached for six months in Africa on his way to Asia

where he spent the remainder of his life spreading the Word of God in Japan and the Philippines
St Francis Xavier is the Patron Saint of the Missions and Adelaide Cathedral.

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE VIRGIN Feast Day 8th December

The Immaculate Conception is commonly confused with the [Virgin Birth of Jesus](#), the latter being, rather, the [Doctrine of Incarnation](#).



Although the belief that Mary was sinless, or conceived without original sin, has been widely held for centuries, the doctrine was not [dogmatically](#) defined in the Catholic Church until 1854.

Pope Pius IX, declared [ex cathedra](#) in his [papal bull Ineffabilis Deus](#) the Immaculate Conception to be doctrine.

HOW DO I ACTUALLY PARTICIPATE IN THE PLENARY COUNCIL?

What do you think God is asking of us, the Catholic Church in Australia, at this time?

There are three ways to respond

1. We will consider this question [as a Parish](#) at the weekend Masses of 15th/16th December. Each person will be asked to think about the question and be given a sheet of paper to write down his or her response. So **please take this question to prayer** over the next two weeks and **discuss it with others if you can**, including those who no longer come to Mass. We will collate a Parish response.
2. You can also think and pray about this question [on your own](#) and send in your individual response online or by post.



Online address:

<http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/have-your-say/> and read down the page. There is a part to click on and fill out.

Postal address:

PO 747, NORTH SYDNEY NSW 2059
You may remain anonymous but please put **Adelaide Diocese** at the end of your submission.

3. You can also [gather a group](#) of friends, family or colleagues or even use some meeting time of your parish group and reflect and share about your experiences of faith, life and the Church and what you think God is asking of us. This group meeting is called a **Listening and Dialogue Encounter**. Someone can take notes and then a group response can be sent or individuals in the group can send in their own response online or by post as above. There are pamphlets with instructions for a group. Please contact Fran Hanna on 0415 124 010 or Paul Kennelly on 0402 852 825.

Due date Ash Wednesday 2019.

FAREWELL to KEVIN and SUE

Many thanks to all who helped with the preparation and presentation of Kevin and Sue's farewell lunch and who assisted afterwards with the cleaning up. It was a lovely parish event and Kevin and Sue we wish you every blessing for this next chapter of your life.

This Week : 1st & 2nd December

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: W. Baker

R.1 L. Blacket

R.2 R. Walsh

E.M. R. Powell

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : K. Howard

R.1. A. Williss

R.2 T. Hounslow

E.M. A. Weygood, L. Sunman,
R. Kuske, M. Lloyd, P. Clingan.

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: D. Huppertz

R.1 D. West

R.2 P. Burns

E.M. S. Muller, B. Longworth,
C. May, J. McInnes, J. McMahon.



Next Week : 8th & 9th December

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 M. Farmer

R.2 V. Wyld

E.M. R. Powell, P. Harris

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : F. Hanna

R.1. A. Rose

R.2 P. Chigwidden

E.M. M. Cunningham, V. Salmon,
K. Howard, M. Ferguson, P. O'Brien.

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: P. Kennelly

R.1 K. Fawkner

R.2 A. Fawkner

E.M. T. Siciliano, K. O'Shea,
Marie Riddle, J. Ryan, M. Ryan

REGULAR MASS TIMES IN OUR CLUSTER CHURCHES

ALDINGA

Mary of Galilee, the First Disciple
cnr Quinliven and How Roads
Saturday 5.30pm
Tuesday 9.15am

GOOLWA

St John the Apostle, 10-14 Gardiner St
Sunday 9.00am
Wednesday 9.30am

KINGSCOTE

Our Lady of Perpetual Help,
cnr Todd and Giles Streets
Sunday 9.30am

NOARLUNGA

St Luke, the Evangelist,
cnr Honeypot Rd and Goldsmith Dve
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am
1st Sunday 11am (Spanish Mass)
2nd Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass)
Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm
Monday 9.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Wednesday 7.30pm
Thursday 8.15am (St Luke's)
Thursday 9.15am (St John's - term time)
Friday 10.00am

NORMANVILLE

St Peter, Cape Jervis Road
1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 10.30am
2nd, 4th Sundays 8.30am
1st Friday 6.00pm

PARNDANA

2nd Sunday 2.30pm

PENNESHAW

St Columba, North Terrace
(shared with Anglicans)
1st Sunday 1.30pm

SEAFORD

Seaford Ecumenical Mission,
Grand Bvd
Sunday 10.45am
Wednesday 9.15am

VICTOR HARBOR

St Joan of Arc, 30 Seaview Road
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 11.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am
Friday 9.00am
1st Friday Benediction following Mass

WILLUNGA

St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street
1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 8.30am
2nd, 4th Sundays 10.30am
Wednesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am
Friday 9.00am

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And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.
When these things begin to take place, stand erect, hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand.

‘Watch yourselves, or your hearts will be coarsened with debauchery and drunkenness and the cares of life, and that day will be sprung on you suddenly, like a trap. For it will come down on every living man on the face of the earth. Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen, and to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.’

EXPLORING THE WORD

Luke's gospel is written for a Gentile church community who are caught in 'between' times. The early Christians believed that Christ's second coming was imminent—that Jesus would return soon as the Lord of Glory. As time passed, they had to rethink this belief. In this text, Luke addresses a community who are able to contemplate the past history of Jesus and the church while looking forward to his future coming as the Son of Man. The text deals with how Christians are to live in the 'in-between time'. They must be attentive to the gospel and live in readiness to meet their God. They must not be distracted by the cares and snares of the world, but be ready to stand confidently before the Son of Man.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Advent is the beginning of the church's liturgical year.
- The Advent period is concerned with 'waiting' for the coming of the Christ child.
- A recurring theme in the gospels read during Advent is looking towards the end times, when Christ will come again.
- Today begins the cycle of readings for Year C. This means that most of

the gospel readings are taken from the Gospel of Luke.

- The Advent wreath is one way of preparing for the coming of the Christ child. The circle of greenery is a symbol of God's love without beginning or end, while the candles represent the four weeks of preparation time. One candle is lit each Sunday during Advent, and the final, central candle is lit on Christmas Day.

MAKING CONNECTIONS

- In your life, what things have been 'sprung on you suddenly'? How did you deal with such surprises?
- What does it mean to 'stand with confidence before the Son of Man'?
- What are some of your hopes and fears for the future. Are there particular goals you have set for yourself?
- How are you preparing for the future? What would you like that future to hold for you? Do you see it as a time of uncertainty or do you look forward with confidence?

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(December 03 - 09)

- **Monday, 03:** Weekday, Ord Time 34 (Apoc 14:1-5; Lk 21:1-4)
- **Tuesday, 04:** Weekday, Ord Time 34 (Apoc 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11)
- **Wednesday, 05:** Weekday, Ord Time 34 (Apoc 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11)
- **Thursday, 06:** Weekday, Ord Time 34 (Apoc 18:1-2, 21-23, 19:1-3; Lk 21:20-28)
- **Friday, 07:** St Andrew (Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22)
- **Saturday, 08:** Weekday, Ord Time 34 (Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22)
- **Sunday 09:** SECOND SUNDAY of ADVENT (Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thess 3:12-4:2; LK 21:25-28, 34-36)

PASTORAL CARE

If you (or someone you know) is house-bound, in hospital or in residential care and would appreciate a visit from a Priest or someone from the Parish, please let us know.
Contact: Noarlunga/Seaford (8382 1717), Willunga (0488 287 552), Victor Harbor/Goolwa (8552 1084), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).