



Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD - YEAR C

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VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE

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• PARISH PRIEST

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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)
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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

Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine out, Jerusalem, for your light has come, the glory of the Lord is rising on you, though night still covers the earth and darkness the peoples.

Above you the Lord now rises and above you his glory appears.
The nations come to your light and kings to your dawning brightness.

Lift up your eyes and look round: all are assembling and coming towards you, your sons from far away and daughters being tenderly carried.

At this sight you will grow radiant, your heart throbbing and full; since the riches of the sea will flow to you; the wealth of the nations come to you; camels in throngs will cover you, and dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; everyone in Sheba will come, bringing gold and incense and singing the praise of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 71:1-2, 7-8, 10-13

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 3:2-3. 5-6

You have probably heard how I have been entrusted by God with the grace he meant for you, and that it was by a revelation that I was given the knowledge of the mystery. This mystery that has now been revealed through the Spirit to his holy apostles and prophets was unknown to any men in past generations; it means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body, and that the same promise has been made to them, in Christ Jesus, through the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 2:2

Alleluia, alleluia!

We have seen his star in the East; and have come to adore the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 2:1-12

After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east. 'Where is the infant king of the Jews?' they asked.

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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, Krys Milne, Josephine Proctor, Louise Elliott, Jan Sheehan, Jenny Winchester, Marie Courtney, Marie Manners, Michelle L, Brian Smallacombe, Gerard Siciliano, Brian Bullen, Margie Lloyd

PARISH COLLECTION 29th & 30th December

1st (Presbytery) \$1,560.00
2nd (Parish) \$1,680.10

VICTOR MORNING TEA 6th & 13th January

P. & H. Sampson
20th & 27th January
J. & W. Baker

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

P. Mezzino, E. O' Shaughnessy
12th & 19th Jan
R. Reid, B. Murray

VICTOR MEET & GREET January Saturdays

M. Farmer & V. Wyld
January Sundays
A. Wright, M. Fracek

ST JOAN'S CHOIR :

Practice time is 10.30am each Friday

GOOLWA MORNING TEA January :

D. Lee, Anke, G. Seah

GOOLWA MEET & GREET January

A. Turner

ST JOHN'S CHOIR:

Practice Tuesdays 2.30pm .
Contact Athalea 0438 552 048

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2019 PRAYER INTENTIONS: JANUARY: EVANGELISATION:

Young people and the Example of Mary

That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.



EXPLORING THE GOSPEL WITH LECTIO DIVINA

Meets every Sunday in the annex at 6.00pm

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY

Groups meet fortnightly on Thursday nights 7.00pm-9.00pm. Phone Rob & Jocelyne Randabel-Williamson for more information. 0402 341 071.

CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

We meet for Lectio Divina (Scripture Reflection) and meditation on Monday evenings for 2019. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Anne Weygood for details. 0429 653 844.

EXPLORING THE GOSPEL

No meeting on January 6th.

ST JOAN'S MAINTENANCE GROUP

will hold their next meeting on Wednesday 9th January from 9.30am—10.30am followed by morning tea. All welcome



STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

6th January, 2019

Epiphany of Our Lord

"...the Gentiles are co-heirs, members of the same body, and co-partners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel (Ephesians 3:6) Today we celebrate that Christ came to all of us, not just the Hebrews. He has given each of us unique gifts. We all have different yet equally valuable roles to play in the Body of Christ. Pray daily and ask God how He wants you to use your gifts so that we may all "be one".



POPE FRANCIS' NEW YEAR MESSAGE

"Peace be to this house!"

In sending his disciples forth on mission, Jesus told them: "Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' And if a son of peace is there, your peace shall rest upon him; but if not, it shall return to you" (Lk 10:5-6). Bringing peace is central to the mission of Christ's disciples. That peace is offered to all those men and women who long for peace amid the tragedies and violence that mark human history. The "house" of which Jesus speaks is every family, community, country and continent, in all their diversity and history. It is first and foremost each individual person, without distinction or discrimination. But it is also our "common home": the world in which God has placed us and which we are called to care for and cultivate. So let this be my greeting at the beginning of the New Year: "Peace be to this house!" (from his longer New Year message: *Good politics at the service of peace*)



FOLLOW YOUR STAR

The wise men set out on a perilous journey to follow their star, a star they believed would take them to a new king. In those days a long journey by camel wasn't one to be taken lightly. At times they lost sight of the star but finally found their way to a child in a manger - the least likely place for a king to be found. We set out on a journey at Baptism, to follow our star, Jesus. It has not always been easy and there have been times when we have lost sight of who and where He was. We find Him again and again - perhaps in moments of joy, perhaps in times of sorrow, perhaps through trials, through the love of a spouse or kindness of a friend, through steady perseverance in trying to do what is right, perhaps in the face of someone who needed us. Where will we find Him this year? Let us ask for the grace to know Him once more.

Beckoning God—
who called the rich to travel toward poverty,
the wise to embrace your folly,
and the powerful to know their own frailty;
who gave strangers
a sense of homecoming in an alien land
and to stargazers
true light and vision as they bowed to earth—
we lay ourselves open to your signs for us...
Rise within us, like a star, and make us restless
Till we journey forth to seek our rest in you.

Kate Compston, Bread of Tomorrow



PSALM FOR THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD YEAR C

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

O God, give your judgement to the king,
to a king's son your justice,
that he may judge your people in justice
and your poor in right judgement.

In his days justice shall flourish
and peace till the moon fails.
He shall rule from sea to sea,
from the Great River to earth's bounds.

The kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts
shall pay him tribute.
The kings of Sheba and Seba
shall bring him gifts.
Before him all kings shall fall prostrate,
all nations shall serve him.

For he shall save the poor when they cry
and the needy who are helpless.
He will have pity on the weak
and save the lives of the poor.
Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.



ST RAYMOND OF PENYAFORT Feast Day 7th January (1175 – 1275)



Since Raymond lived into his hundredth year, he had a chance to do many things. As a member of the Spanish nobility he received a good education. By the time he was 20, he was teaching philosophy. In his early 30s he

earned a doctorate in both canon and civil law. At 41 he became a Dominican. Pope Gregory IX called him to Rome and asked him to gather together all the decrees of popes and councils that had been made in 80 years. Raymond compiled five books called the *Decretals*. They were looked upon as one of the best organized collections of Church law until the 1917 codification of canon law. When he was 63 he was elected by his fellow Dominicans to be the head of the whole Order, the successor of Saint Dominic. He still had 35 years to oppose heresy and work for the conversion of the Moors in Spain. The Lord called him to retire in his 100th year.

POPE FRANCIS' NEW YEAR MESSAGE IS "GOOD POLITICS AT THE SERVICE OF PEACE"

His annual blessing of peace to the whole world focuses on the importance of political life in the creation of a human community in which the rights of all are respected. He sees politics as essential



to the human vocation to help build the "universal city of God" in which God's desires for the well-being of the human family come to fruition.

Yet, as we are all too well aware, the abuse of politics for personal gain is all too rife, resulting in the "oppression, marginalization and even destruction" of many people. Some of the signs of this are corruption, xenophobia, racism, disregard for the environment, the plundering of natural resources and contempt for refugees.

To counter these vices of politics we need to practice a "politics of peace", in which respect for all, especially the most vulnerable and the young, build a world of trust and confidence.

As we celebrate the 70th anniversary of the declaration of Universal Human Rights, and the 100th anniversary of the end of World War 1, let us commit ourselves to the three-fold conversion to which the Gospel calls us— peace with oneself, peace with each other, and peace with creation.

And as we begin this year with a Federal election looming, and with the poisoning of political life all too evident both here and elsewhere, I look forward to the chance to have conversations in our Catholic communities about how we can help to create "good politics at the service of peace." *Peter Laffan, Noarlunga Parish "Friends of Francis".*

This Week : 5th & 6th January

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 R. Walsh
R.2 M. Farmer
E.M. E. O'Shaughnessy,

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : K. Howard

R.1. J. Tregeagle
R.2 P. Chigwidden

E.M. M. Ferguson, V. Salmon, J. Baker, M. Von Holst, P. Clingan

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: M. O'Halloran

R.1 D. McMahon
R.2 J. McMahon
E.M. L. Healey, D. Huppertz, S. Muller, B. Longworth, C. May



Next Week : 12th & 13th January

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 C. Sutherland
R.2 V. Wyld
E.M. R. Kuske, S. Duong

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : K. Howard

R.1. P. O'Brien
R.2 W. Baker

E.M. J. Baker, P. Clingan, I. Reid, M. Cunningham, A. Rose

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: Marie Riddle

R.1 M. O'Halloran
R.2 K. O'Shea
E.M. J. McMahon, J. Ryan, M. Ryan, T. Siciliano, A. Turner.

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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'We saw his star as it rose and have come to do him homage.' When King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 'At Bethlehem in Judaea,' they told him, 'for this is what the prophet wrote:

And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, you are by no means least among the leaders of Judah, for out of you will come a leader who will shepherd my people Israel.'

Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared, and sent them on to Bethlehem. 'Go and find out all about the child,' he said 'and when you have found him, let me know, so that I too may go and do him homage.' Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And there in front of them was the star they had seen rising; it went forward and halted over the place where the child was. The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.

NOTES OF TODAY'S GOSPEL

The visit of the Magi occurs directly before the story of the Holy Family's flight into Egypt. Matthew's Gospel tells a version of Jesus' birth that is different than the one in Luke. Of the actual birth of Jesus, Matthew tells us little more than, "When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod . . ." The story of the census is found only in Luke's Gospel, but we hear about the visit of the Magi only in Matthew's Gospel.

We know little about the Magi. They come from the East and journey to Bethlehem, following an astrological

sign, so we believe them to be astrologers. We assume that there were three Magi based upon the naming of their three gifts. The Gospel does not say how many Magi paid homage to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, they represent the Gentiles' search for a saviour. Because the Magi represent the entire world, they also represent our search for Jesus.

We have come to consider the gifts they bring as a foreshadowing of Jesus' role in salvation. We believe the meaning of the gifts to be Christological. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus' kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus' death.

The word Epiphany means "manifestation" or "showing forth." Historically several moments in Christ's early life and ministry have been celebrated as "epiphanies," including his birth in Bethlehem, the visit of the Magi, his baptism by John, and his first miracle at Cana.

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(07 - 13 January)

- **Monday, 7:** Weekday of Christmas Time (1 Jn 3:22 - 4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25)
- **Tuesday, 8:** Weekday of Christmas Time (1Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44)
- **Wednesday, 9:** Weekday of Christmas Time (1Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52)
- **Thursday, 10:** Weekday, Christmas Time (1Jn 4:19-5:4; Lk 4:14-22)
- **Friday, 11:** Weekday, Christmas Time (1Jn 5:5-12; Lk 5:12-16)
- **Saturday, 12:** Weekday, Christmas Time (1Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30)
- **Sunday, 13:** The Baptism of the Lord (Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22)

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).