

Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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



TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

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PARISH MANAGER Mr Kevin Rucioch OAM (mob 0499 005 714)

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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

PARISH TREASURER Mrs Margaret Meade

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 (Ist Sunday of the month - Family Mass) RECONCILIATION Sunday 8.30am - 8.50am

CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159 Child Safe contacts - Kevin Rucioch (0499 005 714) or Ian Reid (8552 4329)





FIRST READING

Genesis 2:18-24

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them: each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed:

'This at last is bone from my bones, and flesh from my flesh! This is to be called woman, for this was taken from man.'

This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 127

May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 2:9-11

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind.

As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1 Jn 4:12

Alleluia, alleluia! If we love one another, God will live in us in perfect love. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 10:2-16

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?'

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SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Barbara Bond, Father John Langtry, Mary Davis, Donald Telford, Angelo Falco, Vicki Sullivan, 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, Patrick Pearcey, Marie Manners, Brian Smallacombe, Michelle L.

ANNIVERSARIES

Jim Brown, Joe O'Shaughnessy, Bernie Rush

RECENTLY DECEASED

Rosslyn Battersby **Bunny Munday**

PARISH COLLECTION 29th & 30th September

\$ 1,397.30 1st (Presbytery) 2nd (Parish) \$ 1,703.30

VICTOR MORNING TEA 7th October

H. & P. Sampson 14th & 21st October J. & W. Baker

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER 6th—13th October

W. & J. Baker, T. Lewis 20th—27th October R. Reid & B. Murray

VICTOR MEET & GREET

October Saturdays M. Farmer, V. Wyld October Sundays

J. Baker & M. Fracek

ST JOAN'S CHOIR:

Practice time is 10.30am each Friday

GOOLWA MORNING TEA

October:

M. Davis, A. Turner, H. Taylor, A. Russell

GOOLWA MEET & GREET October:

P. Kennelly, B. Longworth

ST JOHN'S CHOIR:

Practice Tuesdays 2.30pm. Contact Athalea 0438 552 048

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2018 PRAYER INTENTIONS:

OCTOBER: The Mission of Religious. That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves and be present among the poor, the marginalised and those who have no voice.

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 2018. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Anne Weygood for details. 0429 653 844.

EXPLORING THE GOSPEL

Deepen your understanding of the Gospel each Sunday at 6.00pm in the Annex. All Welcome.

ST JOHN'S SOCIAL CLUB & PASTORAL **CARE**

This group will meet on Thursday 11th October in the Church meeting room at 1.30pm. This is an important meeting as we will be preparing the Melbourne Cup Luncheon. All very welcome.

ST JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday 9th October at 1.30pm in the Annex. All welcome.

ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 10th October after the 9.30 am Mass at Goolwa.

PASTORAL CARE GROUP V.H.

The next meeting will be on Saturday 13th October at 4.30 pm in the Annex. All welcome.

ST JOAN'S MAINTENANCE GROUP

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 10th October from 9.30am to 10.30am, followed by morning tea. All men welcome.

PARISH MANAGER

Our parish is looking for a volunteer Parish Manager. It takes 2 mornings OR 1 morning and 1 afternoon per week, plus meetings. If you are interested in fulfilling this ministry please see Father Vinh or Kevin Rucioch.

ASSISTANT CARETAKER NEEDED FOR ST JOAN OF ARC MEMORIAL GARDEN

A person is required to support the caretaker in the primary function of opening and closing graves for ashes and to carry out the full duties in the caretaker's absence. This is not a physically demanding task. Contact Peter Sampson at Sunday Mass or phone 8552 3989.

GOOLWA INTERCHURCH CONNECT

Christian Community Care is seeking a volunteer on Fridays to assist with those struggling for meals and with finances. If you are interested please telephone Graham on 0497 595 451. A special meeting for the Christmas Pageant will occur on 18th October. It seems it may be just one float this year, with those involved singing Christmas carols.

The Christmas Combined Church Service will be held on 25th November at the Christian Fellowship Church.

GRAND MELBOURNE CUP LUNCH.



This event is held in the annex at St John The Apostle in Gardiner Street Goolwa.

Tuesday 6th of November

12 noon for 12.30 pm.

Limited tickets...see below .

2 Course luncheon, B.Y.O drinks, Sweeps, Fashions of the day, Raffles and Lots of FUN

Your investment \$ 25.00.

We would be grateful for advance payment to ensure a booking. We are able to cater for only 10 Tables with 8 chairs. (80 persons only) Please book with

Anne Turner 0459 648 004. Anne Fawkner 0435 085 040

We look forward to hearing from you very soon, Regards, Anne and Anne.

SOUTHERN CROSS

There are many positive articles in the Southern Cross this week showing what is happening around the Archdiocese. There is an article on rebuilding trust in our institutions, one on Bishop Gauci's coat of arms, the Blackwood parish's response to the Plenary Council and an article by Bishop Hurley. Certainly worth the \$2.00.





PSALM FOR THE 27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

O Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in His ways.

By the labour of your hands you shall eat. You will be happy and prosper.

Your wife will be like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table.

Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life! May you see your children's children. O Israel, peace!

May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.



BISHOP CHARLES GAUCI

A thanksgiving Mass will be celebrated at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral at 11 am on Sunday 7th October.

FROM PHILIP MARSHALL, OUR VICAR GENERAL

Speaking of our response to the darkness we have experienced in the Church he says:

"Our stance in the world is to acknowledge the darkness honestly and look with unfailing hope towards the light. We do not despair or give up because the light of Christ is more powerful than all human weakness and breaks through everywhere."

He quotes from G.K. Chesterton

"The Church has died and risen many times in history, and will do so again, because we have a God who knows how to climb out of the grave."

RECENTLY DECEASED

Margaret Hope, St John's Parishioner passed away 3rd October at Flinders Hospital.

Deepest sympathy to Greg and family.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

St Denis and companions9th October St John Leonardi9th October Pope St John XXIII11th October

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS

Forums on sexual abuse in the church

Recently two forums were held to give parishioners the opportunity to share their thoughts and feelings on the sex-



ual abuse that has occurred in our Australian Church community.

Those who attended have reported that it was a very positive experience. There is a spirit of commitment and optimism that this experience will open the Church to examining herself deeply and that real renewal can happen.

There was also the thought that we need to share the good things that the Church is involved in e.g., in our schools, in our groups that reach out to care for those in need. Our thanks to Father Vinh for his able facilitation of these forums.

PLENARY COUNCIL

Part of the movement to renewal in the Church is the calling by the Australian Bishops of a Plenary Council in 2020. In preparation they are asking all Catholics in Australia to reflect on the question: What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?.....and to send in our responses, individually or in a group. At our next PPC meeting a member of the organising group will come to explain to us how our parish can be involved in this important process.

KSC NEWS OCTOBER:

55 people attended our 2018 luncheon at St. Joan's on Thursday September 20th, and we greatly appreciate their support. Southern Cross Care chaplain Keiran Stapleton was our guest speaker, and gave an inspiring speech on his time as a priest, and since he left the priesthood serving people with addiction and other problems. Thanks to Alison, Alice and Jan for the catering. Thanks also to Mike and Marina O'Halloran for arranging our raffles. Tony Siciliano and Robert Lee sold all those tickets for us. The day raised about \$850 and at the end of the year our profit will be distributed to charities on the South Coast. We are now arranging for our Christmas wine raffle, and will be supporting St. Johns Melbourne Cup day by conducting the sweeps.

The next meeting of K S C will be held at Victor Harbor on Thursday October 18.

MASS ROSTER

This Week: 6th & 7th October

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 R. Walsh

R.2 M. Farmer

E.M. R. Powell, E. O'Shaughnessy

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am Commentator: F. Hanna

R.1. V. Coffey

R.2 A. Revilla

E.M. P. Clingan, J. Baker, K. Rucioch, V. Salmon, M. Ferguson

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: J. McInnes

R.1 A. Fawkner

R.2 K. Fawkner

E.M. D. Huppatz, B. Longworth,

J. McMahon, Marie Riddle,

M. O'Halloran



Next Week: 13th & 14th October

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. J. Tregeagle

R.2 W. Baker

E.M. J. Baker, I. Reid,

M. Cunningham, A. Rose, P. Clingan

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: M. O'Halloran

R.1 L. Healey

R.2 H. Harris

E.M. C. May, T. Siciliano, J. McInnes,

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

4th 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 (other than 1st) 9.00am
1st Friday 11.30am

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 (Continued from page 1)

They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you.

But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them, 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.'

People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' Then he put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.

DID YOU KNOW?

 In today's text, Jesus is quoting from the Book of Genesis (Gen 2:24), citing the second and earliest of the creation stories contained in

the first two chapters of that Book.

- Orthodox Jews believe that Moses was the author of the first five books of the Old Testament, known as the Pentateuch or the Torah, which means Law. Thus the designation of 'the Law of Moses'.
- In the New Testament world both a husband and a wife could initiate divorce but only for the gravest of reasons. This differs from the

- biblical Israelites who had no law which allowed a woman to initiate divorce.
- This is one of the few gospel texts in which Jesus offers a direct teaching in opposition to that of Judaism at his time.

EXPLORING THE WORD

The major themes which have emerged from the gospel readings over the past few weeks are those of 'being receptive' and 'being of service'. One crucial human situation where both of these attitudes are vital is in the marriage relationship. At the time of Jesus, divorce was allowed under the Law of Moses (the Torah) but there were divided opinions. One school of thought held that divorce was only to be sanctioned in the case of the most serious moral misdemeanours on the part of the woman. Another held that any reason was good enough for a man to send away his wife. Jesus cuts through the legal arguments and goes back to the original plan of God as revealed at creation. One aspect of Jesus' answer which must have been surprising to his hearers is that he treats men and women as equals. They are drawn to become one flesh and if either breaks this bond they are equally guilty. In an important sense, Jesus' prohibition on divorce can also be seen as a protection for women.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(October 08 - 14)

- *Monday, 08:* Weekday, Ord Time 27 (Gal 1:6-12; Lk 10:25-37)
- *Tuesday, 09:* Weekday, Ord Time 27 (Gal 1:13-24; Lk 10:38-42)
- *Wednesday, 10:* Weekday, Ord Time 27 (Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Lk 11:1-4)
- *Thursday, 11:* Weekday, Ord Time 27 (Gal 3:1-5; Lk 11:5-13)
- *Friday, 12:* Weekday, Ord Time 27 (Gal 3:7-14; Lk 11:15-26)
- *Saturday, 13:* Weekday, Ord Time 27 (Gal 3:22-29; Lk 11:27-28)
- *Sunday 14:* 28th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30)

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).