



Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

PARISH PRIEST

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PARISH MANAGER

Mr Kevin Rucioch OAM
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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

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

(*1st 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)

Celebrate Youth
The Life You're Living
YEAR of YOUTH 2018



FIRST READING

Isaiah 35:4-7

Say to all faint hearts,
'Courage! Do not be afraid.

Look, your God is coming,
vengeance is coming, the retribution
of God; he is coming to save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be
opened, the ears of the deaf
unsealed, then the lame shall leap
like a deer and the tongues of the
dumb sing for joy;

for water gushes in the desert,
streams in the wasteland,
the scorched earth becomes a lake,
the parched land springs of water.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 145:7-10

Praise the Lord, my soul!

SECOND READING

James 2:1-5

My brothers, do not try to combine
faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified
Lord, with the making of
distinctions between classes of
people. Now suppose a man comes
into your synagogue, beautifully
dressed and with a gold ring on,
and at the same time a poor man
comes in, in shabby clothes, and
you take notice of the well-dressed
man, and say, 'Come this way to

the best seats'; then you tell the
poor man, 'Stand over there' or
'You can sit on the floor by my
foot-rest.' Can't you see that you
have used two different standards
in your mind, and turned
yourselves into judges, and corrupt
judges at that?

Listen, my dear brothers: it was
those who are poor according to
the world that God chose, to be
rich in faith and to be the heirs to
the kingdom which he promised to
those who love him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Jesus preached the Good News of
the kingdom and healed all who
were sick. Alleluia!*

GOSPEL

Mark 7:31-37

Returning from the district of Tyre,
Jesus went by way of Sidon towards
the Sea of Galilee, right through the
Decapolis region. And they brought
him a deaf man who had an
impediment in his speech; and they
asked him to lay his hand on him.
He took him aside in private, away
from the crowd, put his fingers into
the man's ears and touched his

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SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Julie Bradley, Barbara Bond,
Father John Langtry, Mary Davis,
Donald Telford, Angelo Falco,
Vicki Sullivan, Valerie Londriga
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,
Brian Smallacombe,

PARISH COLLECTION 1st & 2nd September

1st (Presbytery) \$778.50
2nd (Parish) \$1,217.50

VICTOR MORNING TEA 9th September

T. Clayton & A. Willis
16th & 23rd September
R. & I. Reid

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER 8th & 15th September

M. Farmer, C. Pearsons
22nd & 29th September
P. Mezzino, E. O'Shaughnessy

VICTOR MEET & GREET September Saturdays

M. Farmer, V. Wyld
September Sundays
R. & I. Reid

ST JOAN'S CHOIR :

Practice time is 10.30am each
Friday

GOOLWA MORNING TEA

September:

D. Lee, Anke, G. Seah

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

September: S. Burns, D. West

ST JOHN'S CHOIR:

Practice Tuesdays 2.30pm .
Contact Athalea 0438 552 048



Bulletin Board

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2018 PRAYER INTENTIONS:

**SEPTEMBER: Young
people in Africa.** That
young people in Africa may
have access to education
and work in their own
countries.



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 under-
standing of the Gospel
each Sunday at
6.00pm in the Annex.
All Welcome.



ST JOAN'S MAINTENANCE GROUP

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 12th
September from 9.30am to 10.30am followed
by morning tea. All men welcome.

ST JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB

Next meeting Tuesday 11th September at
1.30pm in the Annex. All welcome.

LITURGY GROUP will hold their next
meeting on Thursday 13th September at
1.00pm in the Annex.

PARISH MANAGER

Our special thank you to our Parish Manager
Kevin Rucioch who has helped the parish
during the last 6 years. Kevin and Sue are
planning to move closer to their daughter.
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 to fulfil this ministry please
see Father Vinh or Kevin.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL, VICTOR HARBOR BADGE DAY

Could anyone able to give an hour's help
between 9am and 4pm on our annual Badge
Day, Friday 21st September (outside the
Victor Harbor Post Office), please ring John
0419 046 147 or Wendy 0438 525 477.
Thank you!

KNIGHTS OF SOUTHERN CROSS NEWS

COME ALONG TO ST JOAN'S ANNEX AND SUPPORT THE KNIGHTS!

Thursday 20th September at 12.30 pm

**Cost: \$20 per head to be paid by Sunday 16th
September**

The Knights' annual luncheon will be held in St
Joan's Annex this year. Enjoy a three course
meal. BYO drinks. Keeron Stapleton, the
current Southern Cross Care State Chaplain,
promises to be a very interesting guest speaker.
The Knights deserve our support and you won't
even have to go out at night!! What could be
better. Gather your friends for good food and
fellowship! Don't miss out.

Contacts: Ian Reid from Victor, Phil Burns,
Bill Longworth, Peter Sullivan, Joe Ryan and
David Huppertz from Goolwa. Enquiries to Paul
on 0402 852 825 (not on Mon-Wed-Fri)

**The AGM will take place on 13th September
at 4pm. All members please make an effort
to attend.**

The wine raffle was won by Marilyn Freeborn.
Please pray for our deceased members: Jim
Brown, Joe O'Shaughnessy and Bernie Rush.

FOLLOWING THE WAY OF JESUS:

**Fasting - A way to satisfy the hunger of our
soul and the wellbeing of
our body**

**You are all invited to a
Retreat Day – lead by
Tom, Krista and Holger**

Date: Sunday, September 16, 2018.

Place: St Joseph's Parish Hall, St George's St,
Willunga. Time: 9.30am - 3.00pm.

*You may wish to join in the parish Mass in St
Joseph's Church at 8:30am*

**Please bring a plate to share for lunch and
morning tea.** Tea and coffee provided

Any queries please contact: Clare 0411843911
clarealice@gmail.com



CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE IN THE CHURCH - SPECIAL FORUM

In the letter from Bishop Greg O'Kelly inserted in
the bulletin recently, he suggested that each
Parish plan for a forum where parishioners can
express their feelings and views on the issue of
child sexual abuse. With the support and
encouragement from the PPC, I wish to invite
you to take part in this Forum where we can pray
and share our feelings and frustrations as we
are dealing with it. *Fr Vinh*

Goolwa : Wed.12 Sept. 10.15am – 11.00am.

Victor : Thurs. 13 Sept. 9.45am – 10.30am



PSALM FOR THE 23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

Praise the Lord, my soul!

It is the Lord who keeps faith forever,
Who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is He who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free.

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
Who raises up those who are bowed down,
the Lord, who protects the stranger.

The Lord upholds the widows and orphans.
But thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign forever,
Zion's God, from age to age.

Praise the Lord, my soul!



THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS Feast Day 14th September



Early in the fourth century, Saint Helena, mother of the Roman Emperor Constantine, went to Jerusalem in search of the holy places of Christ's life. During excavation, workers found three

crosses. Legend has it that the one on which Jesus died was identified when its touch healed a dying woman. The cross is, today, the universal image of Christian belief. Countless generations of artists have turned it into a thing of beauty to be carried in procession or worn as jewellery. (Excerpt: *Franciscan media*)

CELEBRATE THE SEASON OF CREATION

Join Friends of Francis on Sunday 9th September to celebrate the month long Season of Creation. A time to deepen our connection to Creation, recognise our responsibilities as stewards for a planet in peril, and pray for the strength to become defenders of Earth – and of course, raise our voices in praise to our Creator! 3.00pm at Galilee Catholic Community, corner of How and Quinliven Rds, Aldinga. (You may want to bring a hat, as we explore our surroundings.) Friends of Francis – Catholics on the Fleurieu Peninsula working together for peace, justice and ecological sustainability. Contact Peter Laffan on 8556 3915 or at impe@internode.on.net,

THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY Feast day 12th September

We venerate the name of Mary because it belongs to her who is the Mother of God, the holiest of creatures, the Queen of Heaven and earth, the Mother of Mercy. The feast commemorates all the privileges given to Mary by God and all the graces we have received through her intercession and mediation.
(Excerpt: *Catholic Encyclopaedia*)



OUR LADY OF SORROWS Feast Day 15th September

The feast of Our Lady of Sorrows commemorates the

seven great

sorrows which

Mary lived in relation to Her Son;

1. At the prophecy of Simeon;
2. At the flight into Egypt;
3. Having lost the Holy Child at Jerusalem;
4. Meeting Jesus on his way to Calvary;
5. Standing at the foot of the Cross;
6. Jesus being taken from the Cross;
7. At the burial of Christ.

(Excerpt: *Catholic News Agency*)



CHILD PROTECTION WEEK

Daisy seeds for the children.

Children attending Mass on 8th and 9th September will receive a packet of painted daisy seeds as part of Child Protection Sunday celebrations. The daisy is a protective plant which keeps other plants safe from insects and the seeds will provide a symbolic reminder of the need for adults and communities to work together to keep children safe. Parents or grandparents may pick up the seeds for the children. Prayer cards for both adults and children are available after Mass.



This Week : 8th & 9th September

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 B. Bullen

R.2 C. Sutherland

E.M. D. McLaughlin, R. Kuske

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : E. Temme

R.1. T. Hounslow

R.2 R. Klecko

E.M. P. Clingan, K. Rucioch, J. Baker, I. Reid, L. Sunman

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: A. Fawkner

R.1 D. McMahon,

R.2 J. McMahon

E.M. K. Fawkner, M. Glazewski, L. Healey, D. Huppertz, B. Longworth



Next Week : 15th & 16th September

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 R. Powell

R.2 S. Duong

E.M. E. O'Shaughnessy, P. Harris

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : V. Coffey

R.1. A. Williss

R.2 J. Tregeagle

E.M. M. Ferguson, L. Sunman, P. O'Brien, A. Rose, I. Reid

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: K. Fawkner

R.1 M. O'Halloran,

R.2 Marie Riddle

E.M. J. McInnes, J. McMahon, K. May, S. Muller, A. Fawkner

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 2.00pm

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

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tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.'

DID YOU KNOW?

- Tyre and Sidon are cities on the Mediterranean coast in the far north of Israel, now southern Lebanon. They were the leading cities of the Phoenicians. This was not Jewish territory. Jesus has entered the realm of Gentiles.
- The Decapolis was a federation of ten cities with a largely Greek culture. Most were in the area of the eastern side of the Jordan River to the south of the Sea of Galilee.
- 'Ephphatha' is an Aramaic word. Aramaic was a commonly spoken Semitic language and probably the language spoken by Jesus.
- The Gospels were written in Greek but we sometimes encounter evidence of an earlier written Aramaic source of stories about Jesus or evidence at least of earlier oral traditions which preserve the Aramaic sayings of Jesus.
- The deaf hearing and the dumb speaking are signs of the coming of the Messiah and the advent of the kingdom of God. Jesus the Messiah is bringing the kingdom of God to fulfilment now!

EXPLORING THE WORD

The geographical indicators in this gospel are very important. Mark is at pains to tell us exactly which way Jesus travels.

Following the route as outlined, Jesus would not have set foot on Jewish territory. He remains in Gentile land. The healing offered by the good news is for all people to access. The miracle is not wrought by the use of gestures

alone. Placing his fingers in the ears and his own spittle on the tongue of the man produce no magic results by themselves. To these gestures are added Jesus' gaze towards heaven, a sign of his union with God, and the commanding word of Jesus. It is this combination of the actions and the words of Jesus which produce the results. This man is now open to a whole new way of living in the world, no longer dependent on others but free to take his place in the community.

The prophecy of Isaiah in today's first reading has been fulfilled. When the Lord comes, the ears of the deaf will be opened and the tongues of the dumb will sing for joy. These are signs of the advent (coming) of the Messiah.

In last week's gospel, Jesus had clashed with the religious leadership of Israel and their lack of understanding of who he is. In this text, however, we see that it is the Gentiles who recognise Jesus and are open to his message and ministry.

MAKING CONNECTIONS

In this gospel, physical deafness could be seen as a symbol of being closed off from the world around us. Are there voices we do not hear, or do not hear well enough, in our family or workplace; in our nation or our world? Are we always attentive enough to those who have something to say to us?

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(September 10 - 16)

- **Monday, 10:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (1 Cor 5:1-8; Lk 6:6-11)
- **Tuesday, 11:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (1 Cor 6:1-11; Lk 6:12-19)
- **Wednesday, 12:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (1 Cor 7:25-31; Lk 6:20-26)
- **Thursday, 13:** St John Chrysostom (1 Cor 8:1-7, 11-13; Lk 6:27-38)
- **Friday, 14:** The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Num 21:4-9; Jn 3:13-17)
- **Saturday, 15:** Our Lady of Sorrows (Heb 5:7-9; Lk 2:33-35)
- **Sunday 16:** 24th SUNDAY in ORD TIME (Is 50:5-9; James 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35)

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).