

Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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



TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

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VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE

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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 (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)



FIRST READING Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel together at Shechem; then he called the elders, leaders, judges and scribes of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. Then Joshua said to all the people, 'If you will not serve the Lord, choose today whom you wish to serve, whether the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are now living. As for me and my House, we will serve the Lord.'

The people answered, 'We have no intention of deserting the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors out of the land of Egypt, the house of slacvery, who worked those great wonders before our eyes and preserved us allalong the way we travelled and among all the people through whom we journeyed

way we travelled and among all the people through whom we journeyed. We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 33:2-3, 16-23

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 5:21-32

Give way to one another in obedience to Christ. Wives should regard their husbands as they regard the Lord, since as Christ is head of the Church and saves the whole body, so is a husband the head of his wife; and as the Church submits to Christ, so should wives to their husbands, in everything. Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church and sacrificed himself for her to make her holy. He made her clean by washing her in water with a form

of words, so that when he took her to himself she would be glorious, with no speck or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and faultless. In the same way, husbands must love their wives as they love their own bodies; for a man to love his wife is for him to love himself. A man never hates his own body, but he feeds it and looks after it; and that is the way Christ treats the Church, because it is his body – and we are its living parts. For this reason, a man must leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one body. This mystery has many implications; but I am saying it applies to Christ and the Church.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 6:63, 38

Alleluia, alleluia!
Your words, Lord, are spirit and life:
you have the words of everlasting
life. Alleluia! (Continued page 4)



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,

ANNIVERSARIES

Phil Traynor, Peter Murray, Father Peter Ward, Geoffrey Oates, Vic Davoren

PARISH COLLECTION 18th & 19th August

1st (Presbytery) \$495.05 \$768.80 2nd (Parish)

VICTOR MORNING TEA 26th August

L. Sunman, P. Chigwidden 2nd & 9th September T. Clayton A. Williss

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER 25th August & 1st Sept. B. Munday, R. Kuske 8th & 15th September M. Farmer, C. Pearsons

VICTOR MEET & GREET September Saturday 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



THE HOLY FATHER'S 2018 PRAYER INTENTIONS:

AUGUST: Universal -The Treasure of Families

That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.

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.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Our next meeting is on this Wednesday 29th August 7.00 pm at Goolwa.

RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE PRAYER **GROUP**

Our next meeting is on this Monday 27th August 2.00 pm in the Annex.

PASTORAL CARE GROUP VICTOR **HARBOR**

The next meeting is on the second Saturday September 8th

CHILD PROTECTION WEEK

2nd - 8th September

National Child Protection Week is all about everyone getting involved in building better communities for children and young people. The aim is to work together to keep children safe.

More information next week.

FILIPINO CHOIR ONE YEAR ANNIVER-

September 1st marks one year since the local Filipino Choir started to sing with us on Saturday evenings and we would like to make it a special occasion. So if you can stay after 6 pm Mass on that day, if only for a little while, please bring a plate and share a meal with us.

KNIGHTS OF SOUTHERN CROSS NEWS Our yearly luncheon will be held on Thursday 20th September at St Joan's Annex, noon for **12.30pm.** The price of the tickets will be \$20 per head which includes a 3 course meal, with the main course a choice of chicken or fish. BYO drinks. Please note money must be paid by Sunday 16th September to assist catering. Alison Russell has agreed to do the catering, with the assistance of ladies of the parish, especially St Joan's. Our guest speaker this year is Keeron Stapleton, current Southern Cross Care State Chaplain. Keeron is a former catholic priest from Victoria where he worked with people released from prison, as well as counselling people suffering from addiction. He is now married with family and visits Sandpiper at Goolwa North every Monday in his role as Chaplain. Tables will be headed by Ian Reid from Victor, and Phil Burns, Mike O'Halloran (sold out), Bill Longworth, Peter Sullivan, Joe Ryan and David Huppatz from Goolwa. Enquiries to Paul on 0402 852 825 (not on Mon-

REFUGEE AND MIGRANT SUNDAY 26th AUGUST

This is a celebration of the dignity of people who

are refugee and migrants and the contribution they have made to life in Australia.

Wed-Fri)



All of us are either refugees, migrants

or the descendants of refugees or migrants. Pope Francis speaks to us in these words:

"Every stranger who knocks at our door is an opportunity for an encounter with Jesus Christ, who identifies with the welcomed and rejected strangers of every age (Matthew 25:35-43). The Lord entrusts to the Church's motherly love every person forced to leave their homeland in search of a better future This solidarity must be concretely expressed at every stage of the migratory experience – from departure through journey to arrival and return. This is a great responsibility, which the Church intends to share with all believers and men and women of good will, who are called to respond to the many challenges of contemporary migration with generosity, promptness, wisdom and foresight, each according to their own abilities."

What is our attitude to the "stranger"? Are we welcoming and helpful?





PSALM FOR THE 21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times, His praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad.

The Lord turns His face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth.

The Lord turns His eyes to the just and His ears to their appeal.

They call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed He will save.

Many are the trials of the just man but from them all the Lord will rescue him. He will keep guard over Hhis bones, not one of his bones will be broken.

Evil brings death to the wicked; those who hate the good are doomed. The Lord ransoms the souls of His servants Those who hide in Him shall not be condemned.

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.



ST MONICA Feast Day 27th August (330 – 387)

St Monica exemplifies the power of a praying parent. She wasn't able to convince her son Augustine with words,. but through her daily, committed intercession,



over more than fifteen years, Augustine was able to journey into the Church.

Don't stop praying for your child.

Bishop Saint Ambrose urged her, "Speak less to Augustine about God and more to God about Augustine. "Though things looked dark, her persistence paid off.

We regularly ask our friends on earth to pray for us, and we can do the same with the saints.

"St. Monica, I need your prayers. You know exactly how I'm feeling because you once felt it yourself." (Excerpt: Word on Fire)

ST AUGUSTINE, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH, BISHOP

Feast Day 28th August (354 – 430)



St Augustine, son of St Monica, was converted and became a Christian at 33, a priest at 36, a bishop at 41. The tears of his mother, the instructions of Bishop, St Ambrose and, most of all, God Himself

speaking to him in the Scriptures, redirected Augustine's love of life to a life of love. To get to know the man is a rewarding experience. Augustine is still acclaimed and condemned in our day. He is a prophet for today, trumpeting the need to scrap escapisms and stand face-to-face with personal responsibility and dignity. (Excerpt:franciscan media)

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL 2018

Charity is at the heart of Living Catholic. Catholic Charities is your umbrella organisation that supports the following agencies working with the most vulnerable in South Australia. The agencies supported by Catholic Charities are:

Hutt St Centre
Catherine House
SA Catholic Deaf Association
Aboriginal Catholic Ministry
Our Lady of La Vang & St Patrick's
Special Schools
Mercy House of Welcome
Centacare Catholic Family Services
Calvary Ain Karim
Collection will be during September.

DONATION TO ST VINCENT DE PAUL

After final auditing \$170.00 has been donated on behalf of the Parish following our Yuletide Dinner.

NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new to our Parish you may wish to make yourself known to Father Vinh or to one of our "Meet and Greet " members in the porch before or after Mass. There is also a book there



to record your details. Because we have such a floating population of visitors we can sometimes miss a new parishioner. Thank you.

MASS ROSTER

This Week: 25th & 26th August

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 C. SutherlandR.2 R. Walsh

E.M. D. McLaughlin, R. Powell

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am Commentator: P. O'Brien

R.1. A. Williss

R.2 R. Reid

E.M. A. Weygood, K. Rucioch, L. Sunman, I. Reid, R. Kuske

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 L. LongworthR.2 B. Longworth

E.M. S. Muller, M. O'Halloran, Marie Riddle, M. Ryan, J. McInnes



Next Week: 1st & 2nd September

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 M. Farmer

R.2 V. Wyld

E.M. R. Powell, P. Harris

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator: K. Rucioch

R.1. A. Weygood

R.2 P. Chigwidden

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

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: P. Burns

R.1 C. May

R.2 J. McInnes

E.M. D. West, C. Williams, P. Burns,

D. Elliott, T. Siciliano

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 (Continued from page 1)

GOSPEL

John 6:60-69

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?' Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, 'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before?

'It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life.

'But there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, 'This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.' After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him.

Then Jesus said to the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered, 'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'

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DID YOU KNOW?

- This is another example in the gospels of Peter taking a leadership role among the twelve.
- Peter's role of leadership among the chosen is why, to this day, his successor, the Pope, has a special position among the leaders of the Church.
- In John's Gospel, the author often uses the device of 'dualism' to contrast life in the spirit with the life of this earthly existence.
- There is no institution of the Eucharist at the last supper in John's Gospel. That occurs in this passage. At the supper, Jesus washes the feet of his disciples.

MAKING CONNECTIONS

 Are there things which stop you believing in all that Jesus taught?

- What do you find most challenging in the teaching of Jesus?
- Have you ever been tempted to walk away? What has kept you on the journey?

EXPLORING THE WORD

For several weeks we have been following the story of Jesus' revelation of himself as the one sent from God and how his followers may draw life from him by eating his flesh and drinking his blood. In this text we find that it is not only 'the Jews' who find it difficult to accept his revelation and his teaching. Even his followers struggle with this truth. Jesus knows of their struggle but will not be drawn into offering supernatural proof of his revelation: the Son of Man ascending to heaven! But still some do not understand his words and cease to follow him. Jesus then turns to his closest companions and offers them a choice. They may go or they may stay. Peter voices the response on behalf of them all. It is a wonderful affirmation of faith. 'Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life and we believe. We know that you are the Holy one of God.



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(August 27 - September 02)
• Monday, 27: St Monica (2 Thess 1:1-5, 11-12; Mt 23:13-22)

- *Tuesday, 28:* St Augustine (2 Thess
- *Wednesday*, 29: The Passion of St John the Baptist (2 Thess 2:1-3, 14-17; Mt 23:23-26)

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- *Thursday, 30:* Weekday, Ord Time 21 (1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 24:42-51)
- *Friday, 31:* Weekday, Ord Time 21 (1 Cor 1:17-25; Mt 25:1-13)
- *Saturday, 01:* Weekday, Ord Time 21 (1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 25:14-30)
- *Sunday 02:* 22nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Deut 4:1-2, 6-8; James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23)

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).