Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE

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Fr Vinh-Quang Tran (8552 1084; in an emergency - 0429 098 802)

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 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)





FIRST READING Numbers 11:25-29

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again.

Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look,' he said 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 18:8, 10, 12-14 The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

SECOND READING James 5:1-6

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 17:17 Alleluia, alleluia! Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' (Continued page 4)

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 22nd & 23rd September

1st (Presbytery) 2nd (Parish) \$971.90 \$1,560.10

VICTOR MORNING TEA

30th Sept. & 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:

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



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 in fulfilling this ministry please see Father Vinh or Kevin.

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.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all the kind parishioners who offered chairs after my request last week. Some even offered to purchase them. The problem was solved on Friday. Once again thank you for your generosity and may God bless you. Brian

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Does your life reflect the life of Jesus? Remember, we were made in His image. We tend to forget this. When others see you, do they see the face of Jesus? When you look at others, do you see the face of Jesus in them?

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY TODAY

The theme for Social Justice Sunday this year is:



A Place to Call Home:

Making a home for everyone in our land We pray for everyone for whom home is just a dream.

GOOLWA INTERCHURCH CONNECT

Christian Community Care is seeking a volun-

teer 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.

BELLS AT MASS

At the last Liturgy Committee Meeting,

discussion took place regarding re-introducing the longstanding tradition of ringing the bells during Mass. It was agreed that we could conduct a trial of this for one month. It is at

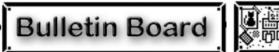


the discretion of the Parish whether bells should be used or not and we would like your feedback for discussion at our next meeting.

Please let our Parish committee members know. Val Coffey, Mary Ferguson, Peter Carpenter, Phil Burns, Robert Lee, Joy McInnes, Fr. Vinh.

FUNERAL OF BUNNY MUNDAY

Bunny passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday 25th September. Our deepest sympathy to her family. Bunny was a much loved, very active member of our parish community and will be sadly missed. Bunny's funeral will be held at St Joan of Arc at 1pm on Friday 5th October.



PSALM FOR THE 26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple.

The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding forever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just.

So in them Your servant finds instruction; great reward is in their keeping. But who can detect all his errors? From hidden faults acquit me.

From presumption restrain Your servant and let it not rule me. Then shall I be blameless, clean from grave sin.

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ST THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS Feast Day 1st October

St. Therese loved nature, and often used the imagery of nature to explain how the Divine Presence is everywhere, and how everything is connected in God's loving care and arms.



Therese saw herself as "the Little Flower of Jesus" because she was just like the simple wild flowers in forests and fields, unnoticed by the greater population, yet growing and giving glory to God. Therese did not

see herself as a brilliant rose or an elegant lily, but simply as a small wildflower. This is how she understood herself before the Lord - simple and hidden, but blooming where God had planted her.

(Excerpt:Society of the Little flower)

FATHER VINH'S ANNUAL RETREAT

Father will be away for several days next week at his annual retreat at Sevenhill. Communion Service will be held on Tuesday and Thursday at St Joan's and Wednesday at St John's.

THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS Feast Day 2nd October

Perhaps no aspect of Catholic piety is as comforting to parents as the belief that an angel protects their little ones from dangers real and imagined. Yet guardian angels are not only for children. Their role is to represent individuals before God,

to watch over them always, to aid their prayer, and to present their souls to God at death. *(Excerpt:Franciscan media)*

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISSI Feast Day 4th October (1182 – 1226)

Francis of Assisi was poor only that he might be Christ-like. He recognized crea-



tion as another manifestation of the beauty of God. In 1979, he was named patron of ecology. He did great penance. Francis' poverty had a sister, Humility, by which he

meant total dependence on the good God. But all this was, as it were, preliminary to the heart of his spirituality: living the gospel life, summed up in the charity of Jesus and perfectly expressed in the Eucharist (*Excerpt: Franciscan media*)

BISHOP CHARLES GAUCI

A thanksgiving Mass will be celebrated at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral at 11 am on Sunday 7th October. There will also be a thanksgiving Mass at Noarlunga at St Luke's Church, on Saturday October 6th at 6pm.

VINNIES BADGE DAY SUCCESS

Sincere thanks to all the willing helpers at our Post Office site on 21st September. We all enjoyed our "turns" and met many kind folk happy to donate to this worthy cause. Thanks everyone! -Victor/Goolwa Conference SVdP.



MASS ROSTER

This Week : 29th & 30th September

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

- **R.1** R. Powell**R.2** F. Hanna
- E.M. S. Duong

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am Commentator : P. O'Brien

 R.1.
 K. Howard

 R.2
 R. Klecko

E.M. K. Rucioch, L. Sunman, I. Reid, M. Cunningham, M. Ferguson

GOOLWA 9.00am Commentator: P. Kennelly

R.1 D. West **R.2** P. Burns

E.M. K. Fawkner, A. Fawkner, M. Glazewski, L. Healey, D. Elliott



Next Week : 6th & 7th October

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 R. WalshR.2 M. FarmerE.M. R. Powell, E. O'Shaughnessy

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am Commentator: F. Hanna

R.1. V. CoffeyR.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

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

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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But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us.

'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.

'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

DID YOU KNOW?

- There are a number of welldocumented examples of healers and miracle workers who were contemporaries of Jesus.
- Hell is the English word used to translate the Hebrew Sheol or Gehenna or the Greek Hades. The idea of a particular place of punishment by fire in the afterlife developed quite late in Hebrew thought—about the third century BC.
- In the final line of this gospel, Jesus is quoting from Isaiah about the fate of those who rebel against God: 'their worm shall not die, their fire shall not be quenched' (Is 66:24).

EXPLORING THE WORD

In last week's gospel, the principal message was that to be a disciple, one must become the servant of others. This message seems to have had little impact on the disciples as we still find them obsessed with their own position in the 'in group': 'Because he was not one of us, we tried to stop him.' The arrogance of the disciples is astounding. They have no authority to stop the spread of the Kingdom! Indeed the true reward will go, not to the great among them but to those who by a simple act of kindness, such as offering a cup of water, assist in the work of welcoming the kingdom.

Not only must they not hinder the spreading of the reign of God by whatever means, Jesus warns them that they must not hinder or damage the faith of others. The difficult language of the remainder of this gospel is really designed to draw attention to the fact that the kingdom is so precious that we should be prepared to rid ourselves of anything at all that would place our attainment of it in jeopardy.

MAKING CONNECTIONS

In recent times in our nation, there have been occasions when some people have rejected those who are 'not one of us'. Increasingly in our world, divisions between peoples are becoming apparent.

Think of times when you welcomed someone outside your immediate circle. Were you enriched by the experience? Was the other person?

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(October 01 - 07)

- *Monday, 01:* St Therese of the Child Jesus (Job 1:6-22; Lk 9:46-50)
- *Tuesday, 02:* The Holy Guardian Angels (Ex 23:20-23; Mt 18:1-5,10)
- *Wednesday, 03:* Weekday, Ord Time 26 (Job 9:1-13, 14-16; Lk 9:57-62)
- *Thursday, 04:* St Francis of Assisi (Job 19:21-27; Lk 10:1-12)
- *Friday, 05:* Weekday, Ord Time 26 (Job 38:1, 12-21, 40:3-5; Lk 10:13-16)
- *Saturday, 06:* Weekday, Ord Time 26 (Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Lk 10:17-24)
- *Sunday 07:* 27th SUNDAY in ORD TIME (Gen 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16)

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).