



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

YEAR A
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

*A living, vibrant
faith community*

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VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT

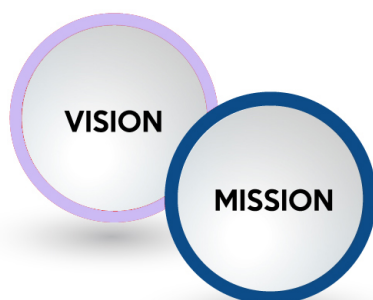
Our vision is to build a faith community, centred on the loving relationship of Father, Son and Holy Spirit, expressed in personal lives and in communal Parish activities.

IT IS OUR MISSION TO:

- Endeavour to develop relevant and prayerful Eucharistic celebrations.
- Foster the experience of a personal relationship with God.
- Provide faith formation opportunities for parishioners.
- Care for each other and the environment, particularly the sick, lonely, aged and disabled within our Parish.
- Care for our environment towards a sustainable future.

WE WILL:

- Reach out to those in need in the local community.
- Be committed to Catholic Social Justice principles.
- Pray and work together with Christian Churches and all people of goodwill.
- Protect and engage with young people in our local area.
- Strengthen bonds with indigenous people in our region.



FIRST READING

Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9

With the two tablets of stone in his hands, Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the early morning as the Lord had commanded him. And the Lord descended in the form of a cloud, and Moses stood with him there.

He called on the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, 'Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger rich in kindness and faithfulness.' And Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshipped. 'If I have indeed won your favour, Lord,' he said 'let my Lord come with us, I beg. True, they are a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Daniel 3:52-56

Glory and praise for ever!

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow perfect; help one another. Be united; live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you.

Greet one another with the holy kiss. All the saints send you greetings.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Apoc 1:8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 3:16-18

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life.

For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved.

No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.'

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SPECIAL INTENTIONS (These names will be removed after one month. To keep names on this list please contact Parish Office)

Barbara Bond, John Wallace,
Father John Langtry, Adrian and Margaret Langtry,
Brian Smallacombe,
Bailey Smallacombe,
Russell Crichton, Bill Longworth,
Daniel Holliday, Mark & Lola Kelly,
Mary Davis, Claire Hamish,
Joan Pillion, Angelo Fantasia,
Jane Lloyd, West Family,
Joseph Barry Kearsley,
Lyn McCabe, Kathleen Tiltman,
Emily McCarthy, Josephine Proctor, Andrew Sampson.
Charlie Nicolson.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Stafford James, Roy Jones,
Wendy Averay, Karen Barber,
Ann Marie Smith.

OUR VISION AND MISSION PLEDGE

As members of the Victor/Goolwa Catholic parish
we strive to develop a loving relationship with the Holy Trinity

- through our participation in the Eucharist
- through listening to the Word of God in Scripture and in our lives
- through prayer
- through loving others
- through care for our environment

We promise to do our utmost to show the love of the Trinity

- in our family
- among our friends and neighbours
- in our parish and the wider community

In the name of the Father who gives us life,
the Son who came to show God's love
and the Spirit who strengthens and inspires us. Amen

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2020 PRAYER INTENTIONS: JUNE The Way of the Heart

We pray that all those who suffer may find their way in life, allowing themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus.



TRINITY SUNDAY

Over the centuries we have used symbols to try to explain the mystery of the Trinity. We all remember the **shamrock**, three leaves but one plant.

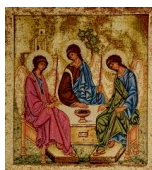


Another symbol is taken from Greek dancing. **The dance of love: perichoresis**



There are not two dancers, but at least three. They start to go in circles, weaving in and out in this very beautiful pattern of motion. They start to go faster and faster and faster, all the while staying in perfect rhythm and in sync with each other. Eventually, they are dancing so quickly (yet so effortlessly) that as you look at them, it just becomes a blur. Their individual identities are part of a larger dance.

The early church fathers and mothers looked at that dance (perichoresis) and said, "That's what the Trinity is like." **The dance of love.** We are called into that dance of love.



Then we have the Icon of the Trinity by Andrei Rublev. The Three Persons are seated at the table with a meal prepared (the Sacrificial lamb). We are invited to join them.

"We're so glad you could come."
Will you accept their invitation?

K S C WINE RAFFLE



We wish to thank all who have supported our wine raffle but ask those who do not yet have a ticket to give it your support. We started so well with sales but with just **SEVEN TICKETS LEFT** it has come to a bit of a halt. You can ring Mike on 0416 102 678 or Paul on 0402 852 825 to buy a ticket.

As they say in the TV ad

We really would appreciate your support.



CHURCH GIVES EVIDENCE TO SA INQUIRY INTO EUTHANASIA

A delegation representing the Catholic Church in South Australia appeared before a Joint Parliamentary Committee on **End of Life Choices** this week.

In his opening statement, **Bishop O'Kelly** told the committee that at the basis of the Church's opposition to euthanasia was the commandment **'Thou shalt not kill'**. He said there was inadequate resourcing of palliative care.

Ms Pauline Connelly, assistant director of Centacare Catholic Family Services, spoke of the importance of supporting those who are suffering. She gave the example of her own 32-year-old son who has the most aggressive form of multiple sclerosis and is a quadriplegic. **"What he wants most of all is to still feel valuable"**

To the community she said: **"You will never be a burden to us because you have a mental health problem, because you have a disability, because you are aged. My concern is that if you are seen like that, it diminishes us as a people."**



WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY JUNE 5TH

Take time for Nature

"Before this panorama of meadows, woods, streams

and mountain peaks that touch the sky, we all discover afresh the desire to thank God for the wonders that He has made and we wish to listen in silence to the voice of nature, so that we can transform our admiration into prayer. For these mountains awake in our hearts the sense of the infinite with the desire to raise up our minds to what is sublime. It is the Author of Beauty Himself who created these wonders." (St John Paul II)

PLENARY COUNCIL POSTPONED

The long-anticipated Plenary Council 2020 sessions, the first of which had been scheduled for this October, have been pushed back to **October 2021 and April 2022** because of the COVID-19 pandemic.



The writing groups who were compiling the submissions sent in from our parish and those across Australia have completed their work and compiled **Discernment Papers**. They can be found on the following site: <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM THE MOST HOLY TRINITY: Yr.A

You are blest, Lord God of our fathers
Glory and praise for ever!
Blest Your glorious holy name.
Glory and praise for ever!

You are blest in the temple of Your glory.
Glory and praise for ever!
You are blest on the throne of Your kingdom.
Glory and praise for ever!

You are blest who gaze into the depths.
Glory and praise for ever!
You are blest in the firmament of heaven.
Glory and praise for ever!



SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA Feast Day June 13th (b. c.1195 – 1231)



One of the most popular saints, St. Anthony was born at Lisbon, Portugal. He became a canon regular and then a Franciscan preaching the Gospel every-

where in Portugal and Italy. As a theologian and popular preacher he fought vigorously against heresy. His preaching was inspired by the love of God and of souls and had an extraordinary power of conviction.

Pope Gregory IX, called him during his lifetime the *Arca Testamenti*, meaning "the living repository of the Holy Scriptures". Pope Pius XII declared that he based all he said on the Gospel texts, and could justly be called the Evangelical Doctor.

St. Anthony lived for a time in France, but chiefly in Italy, and died at Padua in 1231 at age 36. From the day he died, innumerable miracles caused the faithful to invoke him as a worker of untiring benevolence. Known as the patron of lost things and numerous other causes, he was canonised within a year of his death and declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope Pius XII in 1946. *Catholic Culture*

AROUND THE PARISH

ST JOAN'S PASTORAL CARE GROUP
will meet on Saturday 3th June 4.30pm in the Annex.

ST JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB
Due to current restrictions **there will not** be a St Joan's Social Club meeting this Tuesday.

SMALL MASSES
20 people are now allowed at all Masses.

WEEKDAY MASS times will be as usual:

Victor: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday at 9am.

Goolwa: Wednesday at 9.30am.
It will be first come first served for these Masses. Please record your name on sign-in sheet provided.

WEEKEND MASS times as usual
Victor: Saturday 6pm, Sunday 11am.
Goolwa: Sunday 9am.

ALLOCATION OF PLACES FOR WEEKEND MASSES

The first 20 people, including those who have already put their names on the list, who arrive at the Church will be able to stay for Mass.
Holy Communion is offered 10 minutes before each Mass for those who cannot stay and each Mass will commence 5 minutes late.

If you miss out on a place you are asked to put your name down on the list on the day or during the week. Please add phone number.

Please put your name down only once.
We will let you know when the new round starts.

SIGN-IN SHEET

As well you are asked to sign your names on a separate sign-in sheet when we actually do come to any of our Masses, weekend or weekday.

The notice from the Archdiocese includes this point:

Those who are at higher risk from Covid-19 are encouraged to stay home.

Please keep to social distancing rule of 1.5 metres and carry out hand hygiene.
Thank you for your patience.



THE BIGGEST MORNING TEA

to raise money to fight cancer is not possible this year due to coronavirus restrictions. If you would like to donate you may do so as follows:

1. Google *Biggest Morning Tea*
2. Search for *fundraiser*
3. Search for *Combined Churches Goolwa*, click it when it pops up
4. Click arrow
5. Donate via credit card or Paypal

ONLINE RESOURCES

Father Vinh's homilies

<http://www.victorgoolwacatholic.org.au/>

St Francis Xavier's Cathedral

Live streaming of Daily Mass at 12.10pm.

<http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/news-and-events/coronavirus-updates-and-alerts/videos>

or on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/adelaidearchdiocese/>

Darwin with Bishop Charles:

<http://www.darwin.catholic.org.au/>

or on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/darwindiocese/videos/>

Taizé live on Facebook and on a video download at - Taize.fr

BIRTHDAYS



Congratulations to Horst Kuske who will turn 80 on June 10th. Well done Horst. Many birthday blessings.

John Wagenknecht June 8th

John Tregeagle June 9th

Barbara Bond June 10th

Vicki Lacey June 11th

Health and Happiness to you all.



CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

From Monday 1 June

Restricted Mass times

- **Victor Harbor** - Weekends - Saturday 6.00pm; Sunday 11.00am. Weekdays - Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9.00am
 - **Goolwa** - Weekend - Sunday 9.00am. Weekday - Wednesday 9.30am
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- Attendance for mass or private devotion for the time being is restricted to 20 persons.
 - The four-square metres per person rule is to be observed in determining the total numbers allowed in the space.
 - Except for families and household groups, people should be at least 1.5 metres apart.
 - There should be no physical contact outside one's family or household group.
 - There should be no shaking of hands or holding hands during the Mass.
 - Every gathering must record contact details. Logs are located at the entrance to the Church.
 - Hand sanitizer is to be available at church entrances.

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

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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

Mr Merv Mallett (0412 103 443)

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GOSPEL REFLECTION

This feast is not the time to try and explain how three goes into one! The Trinity is not something that we can understand and figure out with our reasoning, intellect or with our brain. We most certainly won't find the explanation to the Trinity by 'googling' it!

The Trinity is a mystery that we are to experience with our hearts not with our heads. It is not a puzzle or a riddle that we are expected to answer or solve. When we use the word 'mystery' to talk about and describe the Trinity, we are talking about a reality that is so endlessly rich and profound that it will never be exhausted. The more we contemplate and pray about the reality and presence of the Trinity in our lives, the more of itself will be revealed to us. Through the Trinity, God creates and loves us, Jesus liberates and saves us and the Spirit encourages and strengthens us. The Trinity is a community of love and life that we are invited to be part of share and in.

When we look at the news on our television or read the newspaper any day, we are often presented with news of violence, segregation and building walls. There is the reality of individuals and indeed come countries speaking about and defending their rights at the expense of dialogue and cooperation with other nations. People of different religions in the same country are often not only disagreeing with each other; they are actively fighting each other. Sadly, there is division where they could be unity, there is aggression where there could be understanding, and there is suspicion where there could be trust and mutual respect.

The Trinity offers us a model of sharing, belonging and community. It also challenges our individualism and our demand that our rights be met all the time. The Trinity asks to be mindful of our responsibilities to those around us in our families, our neighbourhood and our parish community.

In the Christian tradition, when we begin our prayers, whether as individuals or a community, we do so by making the sign of the cross and

calling on the power and presence of the Trinity. When we pray glory be..., we do the same. We deliberately and consciously ask the Trinity to be part of prayer and our daily life. Perhaps on the Feast of the Trinity we could say these prayers slower and let their meaning become part of us in a more intimate and personal way. *Michael Moore OMI*

DID YOU KNOW?

- The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us that 'The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of the Christian faith and of Christian life. God alone can make it known to us by revealing himself as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit' (§261).
- St Patrick is reputed to have attempted to explain the mystery of the Trinity as God who is Three-in-one by using the shamrock as a symbol. Another commonly used symbol of the Trinity is the triangle.
- The Trinity is sometimes described as the Lover (Father), the Beloved (Son) and the Love between (Spirit).
- Our God is relational. Humans, created in the image and likeness of God, are created to be in relationship with others.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(08 - 14 June)

- **Monday, 08:** Weekday, Ord Time 10 (1 Kg 17:1-6; Mt 5:1-12)
- **Tuesday, 09:** Weekday, Ord Time 10 (1 Kg 17:7-16; Mt 5:13-16)
- **Wednesday, 10:** Weekday, Ord Time 10 (1 Kg 18:20-39; Mt 5:17-19)
- **Thursday, 11:** St Barnabas (Acts 11:21-26, 13:1-3; Mt 10:1-13)
- **Friday, 12:** Weekday, Ord Time 10 (1 Kg 19:9, 11-16; Mt 5:27-32)
- **Saturday, 13:** St Anthony of Padua (1 Kg 19:19-21; Mt 5:33-37)
- **Sunday 14:** The Most Holy BODY and BLOOD of CHRIST (*Corpus Christi*) (Deut 8:2-3, 14-16; 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58)

PASTORAL CARE

If you need a Priest for anointing of the sick or last rites contact: Noarlunga/Seaford (8382 1717), Willunga (0488 287 552), Victor Harbor/Goolwa (8552 1084), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).