



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

*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:

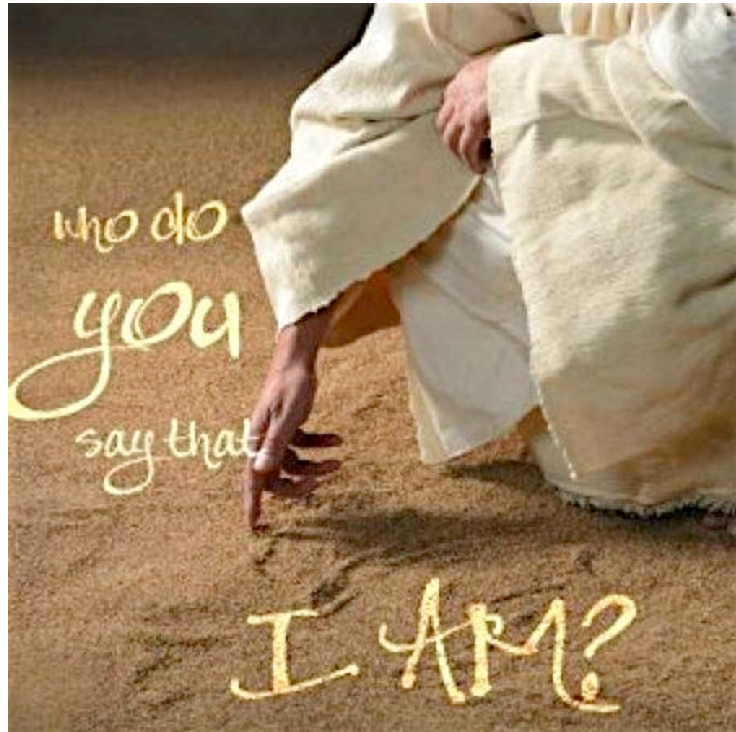
- Endeavour to develop relevant and prayerful Eucharistic celebrations.
- Foster the experience of a personal relationship with God.
- Provide faith formation opportunities for parishioners.
- Care for each other and the environment, particularly the sick, lonely, aged and disabled within our Parish.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

MASS TIMES

- **VICTOR HARBOR**
Weekend - Saturday 6.00pm;
Sunday 11.00am.
Weekdays - Tuesday, Thursday,
Friday 9.00am
- **GOOLWA**
Weekend - Sunday 9.00am.
Weekday - Wednesday 9.30am



FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:5-9

The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me? Then let us go to court together. Who thinks he has a case against me? Let him approach me.

The Lord is coming to my help, who dare condemn me?

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 114:1-6, 8-9

*I will walk in the presence of the Lord,
in the land of the living.*

SECOND READING

James 2:14-18

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he

has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty', without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds – now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Gal 6:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

*My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the world.
Alleluia!*

GOSPEL

Mark 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi.

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Bulletin Board

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

Barbara Bond, John Wallace, Margaret Langtry, Claire Hamish, Brian Smallacombe, Barry Wilks, Bailey Smallacombe, Russell Crichton, Bill Longworth, Mark & Lola Kelly, Peter Harris, Josephine Proctor, Jen Jeffery, Charlie Nicolson, Bette Higgins, Paula Collinson, June Lloyd, Ann Tee, Emily Slattery, Shona Edwards, Eileen McCoey, Carmen Kernahan, Cass Le Poidevin, Tanya Schindler, Freya Schindler

ANNIVERSARIES

Ann Sloane, Adrian Langtry, Mary Siciliano.

PARISH COLLECTION 4th & 5th September

1st (Presbytery) \$770.50
2nd (Parish) \$907.25

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER 17th & 24th September

J. & P. Mezzino
1st & 8th October
M. Farmer & C. Pearsons

VICTOR MORNING TEA

12th September
F. Hanna & M. Mattson
19th September
J & W. Baker

VICTOR MEET & GREET September Saturdays

M. Farmer & H. Anderson
September Sundays
R. Reid & F. Harris

GOOLWA MEET & GREET September

R. Sadlon

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice time 2pm Wednesday

Call Claire Williams 0429 008 199

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2021 PRAYER INTENTIONS: SEPTEMBER

Universal Intention:
An environmentally sustainable lifestyle. We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.



**ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY
Victor Harbor/Goolwa** will hold their next meeting at Victor Harbor on Thursday 16th September after 9am Mass.

ST JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB AGM will hold their next meeting which is the AGM on Tuesday 14th September at 1.30 pm in the Annex. All welcome.

NEW PPC MEMBERS

Some current PPC members will complete their membership. We are now calling for new members to replace them. It is a **two year commitment with monthly meetings.**

We now invite parishioners to nominate others or self-nomination is accepted. Please give names to Paul Kennelly (Goolwa) or Father Vinh (Victor Harbor). After nomination, you have an opportunity to discern before you commit yourself to it.



The agencies supported by Catholic Charities are:

- **Hutt St Centre**
- **SA Catholic Deaf Association**
- **Aboriginal Catholic Ministry**
- **Our Lady of La Vang & St Patrick's Special Schools**
- **Centacare Catholic Family Services**

You will find envelopes on the seats.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Visit Mark and Vicki's farm in Waitpinga and see sustainable agriculture at work.

Friday October 1st Meet in St Joan's back car park at 10.00 to car pool. Bring lunch and your own water container.

Put your name on sheet in Church foyers or register with Fran on 0415 124 010.

Please let us know by Mon. 27th Sept.

K S C MONTHLY NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2021

The Knights are looking at organising the Melbourne Cup luncheon at Goolwa again. The usual luncheon, TV showing, sweepstakes, and other fun events will be on again, but we need to know of your support or otherwise. So Paul or others will be doing a research to check out the interest in the coming weeks, or you might like to give them your thoughts.

We are hoping to get our **monthly BBQ** up and running on the first Sunday of October with Covid rules applying of course.

Thanks again to all who supported our popular wine raffle, and of course we will be back with another great special at Christmas.

Anniversaries for September :

Jim Brown, Joe O'Shaughnessy, Bernie Rush and Mary Siciliano, wife of member Tony.

The next meeting of the Knights will be held on Wednesday 15th September at 4 pm, beginning with the A G M.

LOW DENSITY COVID RESTRICTIONS

If you are attending Mass through the week i.e. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday you are allowed to remove your masks as long as you sit 1.5 mtrs. apart, this includes family members.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY 17th & 18th September

As we prepare for our Diocesan Assembly,

We ask you to make us ready for the work at hand.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our hearts,

That we may be filled with compassion, courage and love.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our minds,

That we may receive your wisdom, dream new dreams, and be open to new ideas.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our eyes,

That we may see you in one another, perceive the need of our neighbour, and envision new horizons.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our ears,

That we may hear your voice, listen deeply to the other, and attend to the voice within.

Paul Kennelly 0402 852 825

Fran Hanna 0415 124 010

Father Vinh 0429098802





RESPONSORIAL PSALM

24th SUNDAY IN ORD.TIME, YR.B

I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

I love the Lord for he has heard
the cry of my appeal;
for he turned his ear to me
in the day when I called him.
They surrounded me, the snares of
death,
with the anguish of the tomb;
they caught me, sorrow and distress.
I called on the Lord's name.
O Lord my God, deliver me!
How gracious is the Lord, and just;
our God has compassion.
The Lord protects the simple hearts;
I was helpless so he saved me.
He has kept my soul from death,
my eyes from tears
and my feet from stumbling.
I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living.



SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Feast Day 13th September

(b. c.347 – d. 407)



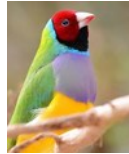
St. John Chrysostom, born in Antioch, was a great genius. His powerful eloquence earned him the surname of Chrysostom, or golden mouthed.

With St. Athanasius,

St. Gregory Nazianzen and St. Basil, he forms the group of the four great doctors of the Eastern Church. As Archbishop of Constantinople, his courageous stance against the vices of even the wealthy caused him to be exiled several times. He died in 407, still in exile. In 1204 his body was brought to St. Peter's in Rome but was returned to the Orthodox in 2004 by Pope Saint John Paul II. His silver and jewel-encrusted skull is now kept in the Vatopedi Monastery on Mount Athos in northern Greece, and is credited by Christians with miraculous healings. *Catholic Culture*

WELCOME HOME

We welcome home Peter and Wendy Carpenter and John and Wendy Baker. We hope you are refreshed and ready to continue your parish ministry and activity.



SEASONS OF CREATION

Week 2:

Native Flora and Fauna

In Australia we have a remarkable landscape. It's populated by plants and animals unlike anything found anywhere else in the world. Sadly many of these plants and animals are threatened by our use of the land like this Gouldian Finch.

Next Week 3 – Fruits
Bring along to share

CAN YOU TAKE THIS PLEDGE REQUESTED BY POPE FRANCIS?

Below are ideas sent in by parishioners

I pledge to:

1) Pray for and with creation

Get into nature - walk in it, notice it, support it, soak it in!

Tell someone else about your wonder and the glory of your environment!

2) Live more simply

"There is a nobility in the duty to care for creation through little daily actions."

Pope Francis

Be mindful of everything you do...take time to peel off the sticker on your mandarin before throwing it in the compost!

Wash out the plastic that covers your food and take it to the soft plastic recycling!

Apply mindfulness to all you do that interacts with the world outside yourself

Collect bottle and milk tops and put them all in an empty plastic or metal container.

.Prevents them being picked up by birds from open dump sites.

Re-use small plastic bags when shopping for fruit and veg.

Broken up egg shells are great to keep snails and slugs away. Just make a circle of the shells around the plant foliage.

3) Speak up to protect our common

home . (ideas to come)



VINNIES sincerely thank you - our wonderful, generous parishioners - for your support of the Winter Appeal.

Over \$3,800 has been donated, for which we are very grateful.

This Week : 11th & 12th September

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 B. Bullen

R.2 C. Sutherland

E.M. E. O'Connell

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : R. Klecko

R.1. T. Hounslow

R.2 P. Clingan

E.M A. Rose

GOOLWA Sunday 9.00am

Commentator: D. Huppatz

R1 E. Bourne

R2 K. O'Shea

E.M. R. Austin



Next Week : 18th & 19th September

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 M. Farmer

R.2 L. Blacket

E.M. C. Sutherland

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : P. O'Brien

R.1. P. Clingan

R.2 J. Tregagle

E.M M. Cunningham

GOOLWA Sunday 9.00am

Commentator: A. Fawkner

R1 K. Fawkner

R2 J. McMahon

E.M. A. Turner

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 6 September, 2021)

- Places of Worship are restricted to 3 people per 4 square metres with social distancing of 1.5 metres. *There has been a change foreshadowed for private activities that were previously limited to 50 (eg weddings) but we are awaiting publication of the regulation.*
- Wearing of masks is mandatory. Wearing of masks in parish offices is strongly recommended.
- Attendees at indoor religious services may sing during worship and members of choirs or chorus groups may perform or rehearse indoors, if they wear masks while doing so.
- Obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage. You may wish to access: [Mass for You at Home – The official website of Mass For You At Home, Australia](#) online and on Channel 10 every Sunday at 6 am.

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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 by Wednesday evening*)
- **PARISH TREASURER**
Mr Merv Mallett (0412 103 443)
Email: Parish_treasure@bigpond.com
- **CHILD PROTECTION**
Child Protection Unit (8210 8159)
Goolwa (Cathy May 0401 584 237)
Victor Harbor (Parish Office 8552 1084)
- **CSHW SA (Safety, Health & Welfare)**
Parish (Cathy May 0401 584 237)

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On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

THE RIGHT ANSWER

We're tempted to applaud when Peter gives the right answer. The other disciples fumble around, giving Jesus the daily buzz about what people are saying about him. But when Jesus asked them what they personally think, only Peter has an answer. It's enough to make you want to cheer.

Especially because Peter is so often the gospel bungler, the guy who speaks first, thinks afterwards. He's the guy, not unlike ourselves, who defends Jesus with a sword one minute, denies him with a word the next. And unfortunately, the same holds true in this instance as well. Even as we're tempted to clap, Peter is already shooting himself in the foot. He knew the right answer, but he can't follow through on it. He knows Jesus is the Christ, but he still doesn't want him to get hurt.

And, the truth is, Peter doesn't want to get hurt either. If he accepts the teachings about the Son of Man being

murdered, then he's got to wonder when they'll be coming after him. So, Jesus calls him the Devil, which must have cut deep. And then advises that they too prepare to lose their lives if they're going to be his followers. Peter got the answer right, the first time. He, like the rest of us, just needs to work on the follow-through.

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SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

In Mark's Gospel, the supreme moment of triumph for Jesus is not the resurrection but rather when Christ suffers and dies on the cross. The cross represents Christ's unconditional response to God and therefore is his triumph. What a surprise it is to find that an instrument of torture and death can become such a powerful symbol of life and love. The true identity and mission of Jesus are only made clear on the cross. We cannot understand who Jesus is and why he came apart from the cross.

DID YOU KNOW?

Caesarea Philippi is a Gentile, northern-frontier town in upper Galilee, on the slopes of Mount Hermon. It is one of the sources of the River Jordan. The site was known in antiquity as a shrine to the Greek and Roman nature gods. When Herod the Great's son Philip became tetrarch of the region, he rebuilt the city and named it after himself and the Emperor.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(September 13 - 19)

- **Monday, 13:** St John Chrysostom (1 Tim 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10)
- **Tuesday, 14:** The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Num 21:4-9; Jn 3:13-17)
- **Wednesday, 15:** Our Lady of Sorrows (Heb 5:7-9; Jn 19:25-27)
- **Thursday, 16:** Sts Cornelius and Cyprian (1 Tim 4:12-16; Lk 7:36-50)
- **Friday, 17:** Weekday Ord Time 24 (1 Tim 6:2-12; Lk 8:1-3)
- **Saturday, 18:** Weekday Ord Time 24 (1 Tim 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15)
- **Sunday 19:** 25th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Wis 2:12, 17-20; James 3:16-4:3; Mk 9:30-37)

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).