



# Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY  
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

*Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40*

Moses said to the people: 'Put this question to the ages that are past, that went before you, from the time God created man on earth: Was there ever a word so majestic, from one end of heaven to the other? Was anything ever heard? Did ever a people hear the voice of the living God speaking from the heart of the fire, as you heard it, and remain alive? Has any god ventured to take to himself one nation from the midst of another by ordeals, signs, wonders, war with mighty hand and outstretched arm, by fearsome terrors – all this that the Lord your God did for you before your eyes in Egypt?

'Understand this today, therefore, and take it to heart: the Lord is God indeed, in heaven above as on earth beneath, he and no other. Keep his laws and commandments as I give them to you today, so that you and your children may prosper and live long in the land that the Lord your God gives you for ever.'

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 32:4-6, 9, 18-20, 22*

*Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.*

## SECOND READING

*Romans 8:14-17*

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

## 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

*Matthew 28:16-20*

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the

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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, Brian Smallacombe, Bailey Smallacombe, Russell Crichton, Bill Longworth, Mark & Lola Kelly, Barry Wilks, Josephine Proctor, Peter Harris, Charlie Nicolson, Bette Higgins, Paula Collinson, Jen Jeffery, June Lloyd, Claire Hamish, Ann Tee, Emily Slattery, Shona Edwards, Margaret Langtry

### ANNIVERSARIES

Frances Mysior, Reginald Meade

### RECENTLY DECEASED

Pat Ryan, Frank La Foggia

### THE HOLY FATHER'S 2021 PRAYER INTENTIONS:



#### MAY: Universal Intention - The world of finance

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with Governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

### EXPLORING THE GOSPEL WITH LECTIO DIVINA

is held each Sunday night at 5pm in the Annex.

### CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

meets with Lectio Divina (Scripture Reflection) and Meditation on Monday afternoons at 4.30pm. Please contact Anne Weygood for details. 0429 653 844

### CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY

Group meets fortnightly on Mondays 2-4pm. Phone Rob & Jocelyne Randabel-Williamson on 0402 341 071

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL



The Vinnies Winter Appeal is now underway, as you'll notice from the envelopes on the pews. Due to the impact of Covid and reduction in financial assistance to those on low incomes, we anticipate a difficult winter for many. Please help us support those in our community doing it tough.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Looking for a rewarding way to give back to your community?



Volunteer at Vinnies

Victor Harbor! Our Vinnies Shop on Victoria Street is looking for people with a genuine desire to help others.

On the job training will be provided.

For more information, contact Susan on 8112 8735 or pop into the shop and say hello.

### CHECK-IN REMINDER

Over the last few weeks the numbers attending Mass aren't reflecting the numbers that are using the QR Code or signing in. **It is most important that we all continue to check in when arriving at the Church.** We cannot become complacent. If you check in by using the QR on your phone please put a QR on our sign-in sheet so that we know how many people are attending. Thank you all for your co-operation in these difficult times.

### REVIEW OF OUR VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT



Recently the PPC undertook a review of our Vision and Mission Statement.

*The full revised version is available on our parish website.*

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

Our thanks to Gael Maloney for recording the changes summarised below:

#### In CELEBRATE THE EUCHARIST

The word "diverse" was added to the section on music at our liturgical celebrations.

An example of how people might share personal elements of their lives at Mass was added

*e.g., prayer intentions at the beginning of Mass.*

#### In GROW A PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE TRINITY

the following addition was made:

*Support different spiritualities centred on our God's love throughout the parish.*

#### In CARE FOR EACH OTHER

the following addition was made

Encourage current pastoral care groups, *especially in the task of taking Communion to the homebound and those in residential care.*

#### A separate section was added for CARE FOR OUR ENVIRONMENT

*Providing education towards an ecological conversion among parishioners.*

*Examining our use of resources in the parish and in our homes and making decisions that enable sustainability and contribute to the care of Mother Earth.*

*Encouraging projects that involve parishioners in sustainable living.*

In OUTREACH a section was added; *Promote and support outreach to other communities locally, nationally and internationally.*

### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS BI-CENTENARY

Catholic schools around the State have been celebrating Catholic Education Week and 200 years of Catholic education in Australia, culminating in a Mass celebrated simultaneously around the country.

*Southern Cross*

### PARISH COLLECTION

#### 22nd & 23rd May

Presbytery (1st) \$800.65

Parish (2nd) \$1,002.75

### VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

#### 28th May - 4th June

M. Farmer & C. Pearsons

### VICTOR MORNING TEA

#### 30th May

P. Clingan & T. Hounslow

#### 6th June

J. & W. Baker

### VICTOR MEET & GREET

#### June Saturdays

M. Farmer, E. O'Connell

#### June Sundays

R. Reid, J. Baker

### GOOLWA MEET & GREET

June S. & R. Lee

### ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice time 2.00pm Wednesday.

Call Claire Williams 0429 008 199.



## RESPONSORIAL PSALM THE MOST HOLY TRINITY Yr. B

**Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.**

The word of the Lord is faithful and all His works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with His love.

By His word the heavens were made, by the breath of His mouth all the stars. He spoke; and they came to be. He commanded; they sprang into being.

The Lord looks on those who revere Him, on those who hope in His love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May Your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in You.



## HOW CAN WE UNDERSTAND THE MYSTERY OF THE HOLY TRINITY?



There are many symbols we use to talk about the mystery of the Trinity. A symbol used by the early fathers is taken from Greek dancing we often

see at a wedding.

**The dance of love: perichoresis.**

**Everyone who has ever loved someone knows this dance of love.**

Whenever we love, whoever we love – whether a baby, a parent; a beloved friend, a spouse; a neighbour or co-worker – we are connecting deeply with that person. We share our life's energy with them; we dance alongside.

**And often, when we love, our love becomes so deep and so full that it spills over into the lives of our families and friends, and they dance along with us.**

That's how the Trinity works. **We are all invited into the loving family dance of the Trinity. Loving Trinity be my life.**

Faith Matters



## GOOLWA NEWS

Garden and grounds clean up will be held on Tues 1st June from 9.30 am. Please note if the weather is unsuitable this monthly clean up will be cancelled.

**K S C BBQ** The next one will be held on Sunday 6th June after Mass.

## BIGGEST MORNING TEA AT GOOLWA raising money to fight cancer.

As most would know June Carbone from the Lutheran community has held no less than 14 of these events since she became a cancer survivor, all of them a great financial success. Sadly now her cancer has returned and she is now unable to organise the event. She has asked each of the Church people in Goolwa to conduct their own morning tea this year. We will combine with the Lutheran people to have our morning tea shortly, and ask today for people to come forward to form a working party to meet with the Lutherans to organise the event. Please see Paul after Mass if you would like to assist.

## INTERCHURCH MEETING GOOLWA HELD 27th MAY

Some of the items discussed.

1. All medical, ambos, schools, and police received gifts and were all delighted that their services were recognised.
2. Messy church in March was a success with 35 people attending. The next meeting will be held on Sunday 6th June from 3.30 pm until 5.30 pm. (See parish noticeboard for full details).
3. A meeting with the first head of the Goolwa secondary school in regards to having a school chaplain was regarded as positive.

I wish to thank Vivi Scriva for attending this meeting with me, and giving support. Paul Kennelly

## DEFIBRILLATORS

We have purchased two defibrillators soon to be installed at each Church. There will be a training session for all parishioners to learn how to use them at :  
**Goolwa - Wed 2 June at 9.45am**  
**Victor Harbor - Fri 7 June at 9.45am**  
Special thanks to St Joan's Social Club for their contribution of \$1000 towards these defibrillators.

## This Week : 29th & 30th May

### VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

**Commentator:** J. Ryan

- R.1** M. Farmer  
**R.2** L. Blacket  
**E.M.** S. Duong

### VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

**Commentator:** P. O'Brien

- R.1** W. Baker  
**R.2** J. Tregeagle  
**E.M.** M. Cunningham

### GOOLWA 9.00am

**Commentator:** Marie Riddle

- R1** R. Lee  
**R2** Michael Riddle  
**E.M.** M. Glazewski



## Next Week : 5th & 6th June

### VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

**Commentator:** J. Ryan

- R.1** J. Jeffery  
**R.2** M. Farmer  
**E.M.** E. O'Shaughnessy

### VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

**Commentator:** F. Hanna

- R.1** P. O'Brien  
**R.2** A. Rose  
**E.M.** P. Clingan

### GOOLWA 9.00am

**Commentator:** V. Scriva

- R1** G. Byrne  
**R2** J. McInnes  
**E.M.** S. Muller

## COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

(May 2021)

Different rules apply for Churches with fixed or non-fixed seating. Please check with your Church for details on how seating will be handled.

- For fixed seating 100% of available seats may be used, provided 100% of attendees wear masks. If 75% of seats are used, masks are not necessary.
- The non-fixed seating capacity is worked on 3:4sqm. No masks are required for this density. Masks are essential for anything more than the capped density.
- Singing as a congregation may recommence, provided masks are worn.
- Every gathering must record contact details - either with the QR code for smart phones, or the handwritten log - both located at the entrance to the Church.
- The obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage.

## VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE

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## PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

### • PARISH PRIEST

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### • PARISH MANAGERS

Mr Ray Klecko (0438 364 870)  
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### • PARISH NEWSLETTER

Please forward items for the newsletter to the Parish Office - ph 8552 1084 or [catholicvhg@bigpond.com](mailto:catholicvhg@bigpond.com) (*All items for the newsletter by Wednesday evening*)

### • PARISH TREASURER

Mr Merv Mallett (0412 103 443)  
Email: [Parish\\_treasure@bigpond.com](mailto: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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Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

## GOSPEL REFLECTON

Trinity Sunday celebrates the core Christian conviction that God is not just one, but also three-in-one. For the people of Israel, no other god could compare with their God whom they knew as both creator and liberator and whom they experienced as intimately involved in every aspect of their history and of their day-to-day lives. In a world of many gods, the assertion found in today's first reading from Deuteronomy that "there is no other" god was an enormous claim to make. God's sustaining and liberating presence brought with it serious responsibilities: keeping God's commandments grounded the people of Israel and their descendants in the life of their God.

The earliest Christians inherited the Jewish belief in one God. At the same time, Christians expressed their faith in distinctively trinitarian language, even if references to all three persons of the Trinity are rarely found in the one passage. Over the first six centuries of the Christian era, the belief that God is three-in-one was to develop into the doctrine of the Trinity which is at the heart of Christian faith. The word Trinity is not used in the Christian Scriptures. In fact, it was not until the end of the fourth century, at the Council of Constantinople in 381, that the doctrine of the Trinity was set out in the creed that is still professed today. The Second Council of Constantinople in 551 used the expression "trinity" to refer to the one essence of God to be worshipped in three persons.

Today's gospel passage brings Matthew's gospel to a close. Jesus commands his disciples to make disciples of all peoples and to

baptize in the name of the Triune God. At the beginning of this gospel, Jesus is named Emmanuel, "God with us". With Jesus' final assurance, "know that I am with you always", we find ourselves gathered into the very life of God. Perichoresis, a Greek term suggestive of dancing or of figures interweaving, is one of the earliest and probably one of the most striking images used to explain the Trinity. The life that is in God is three and yet one in a totally harmonious dance of equals. The wonder is that we are invited to join the dance. Trinity Sunday is the day we set aside to celebrate the nearness of the God who draws us into the dance of life and love. As St Paul reminds us, God is not a distant God, but rather a God whose Spirit draws us, as "God's children" and as "joint heirs with Christ", into the very communion of the Trinity.

*Veronica Lawson RSM*

## MAKING CONNECTIONS

Have you ever experienced a sense of closeness with the divine that left you with a feeling of awe, of being truly aware of God's presence?

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(31 May - 6 June)

- **Monday, 31:** Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary ( Zeph 3:14-18 or Rom 12:9-16; Lk 1:39-56)
- **Tuesday, 01:** St Justin ( Tobit 2:9-14; Mk 12:13-17)
- **Wednesday, 02:** Weekday, Ord Time 9 ( Tobit 3:1-11,16-17; Mk 12:18-27)
- **Thursday, 03:** Charles Lwanga & companions ( Tobit 6:10-11, 7:1,9-14, 8:4-9; Mk 12:28-34)
- **Friday, 04:** Weekday, Ord Time 9 (Tobit 11:5-17; Mk 12:35-37)
- **Saturday, 05:** St Boniface ( Tobit 12:1, 5-15, 20; Mk 12:38-44)
- **Sunday 06:** The Most Holy BODY and BLOOD of CHRIST (Ex 24:3-8; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26)

## 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).