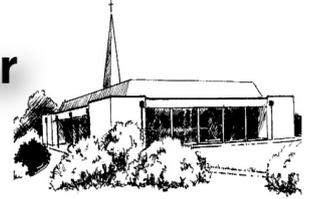




Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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



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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Charles Gauci (involved in another ministry in 2017)

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

Fr Vinh Tran (phone 8552 1084 - in emergency - mob 0429 098 802)

PARISH MANAGER

Mr Kevin Rucioch (mob 0499 005 714)

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Please forward items for the newsletter to the Parish Office - ph 8552 1084, fax 8552 3439 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

Wisdom 12:13,16-19

There is no god, other than you, who cares for every thing, to whom you might have to prove that you never judged unjustly;

Your justice has its source in strength, your sovereignty over all makes you lenient to all.

You show your strength when your sovereign power is questioned and you expose the insolence of those who know it; but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in judgement, you govern us with great lenience, for you have only to will, and your power is there.

By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your people how the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow men, and you have given your sons the good hope that after sin you will grant repentance.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 85:5-6, 9-10, 15-16

Lord, you are good and forgiving.

SECOND READING

Romans 8:26-27

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be

put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 13:24-43

Jesus put a parable before the crowds: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered. And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat

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Bulletin Board

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Julie Bradley, Barbara Bond,
 Father John Langtry, Rosemary
 Powell, Patricia Sloan, Susan
 Anderson, Peter Turner,
 Mary & Bob Davis, Donald Telford,
 Rosemary Scholefield,
 Angelo Falco, Vicki Sullivan,
 Valerie Londrigan, David Wark,
 Br. Michael Fitzgerald,
 Shirley & Ray Harrison,
 Daniel Holliday, Tania Capogreco,
 Maggie Smith, Mark Kelly's
 grandson, Hugo, Bob Healey.

ANNIVERSARIES

Craig Sampson, Eric Powditch,
 Bryan Constable, Eunice & John
 Taylor.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Bob Piper, Harry Hoder,
 Maria Beltrame, Claire O'Driscoll,
 Doris Calleja, Jim McPherson.
 Anna Schubert,

PARISH COLLECTION

15th & 16th July

1st (Presbytery) \$962.20
 2nd (Parish) \$1,461.20

VICTOR MORNING TEA ROSTER

July 23rd & 30th

L. Sunman, P. Chigwidden

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

July 21st

R. Reid, B. Murray

VICTOR MEET & GREET

July Saturdays

L. & M. Peake & M. Farmer

July Sundays

R. & J. Randabel-Williamson

ST. JOAN'S CHOIR: Practice
 time is 10.30 am each Friday in
 the Church

GOOLWA MORNING TEA ROSTER

July M. Freeborn, A. Fawcner,
 L. Elliott, Irene T.

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

July

M. Davis, J. McInnes

ST. JOHN'S CHOIR:

Practice Tuesdays 3.00pm .
 Contact: Athalea 8555 2165

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2017 PRAYER

INTENTIONS: JULY – Lapsed Christians.

*That our brothers and sisters who have
 strayed from the faith, through our prayers
 and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover
 the merciful closeness of the Lord and the
 beauty of Christian life..*

EXPLORING THE GOSPEL

Deepen your understanding of the Sunday
 Gospel at 7.00pm - 8.00pm in the Annex,
 Victor Harbor . All Welcome.

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY

Groups meet fortnightly on Thursday nights
 (mixed). 7.00pm-9.00pm and Wednesday
 (women) 1.30pm-3.30pm. Phone Rob &
 Jocelyne Randabel-Williamson for more infor-
 mation. 0402 341 071.

CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

We meet for Lectio Divina (Scripture Reflec-
 tion) and meditation on Monday evenings for
 2017. Anyone is welcome. Please contact
 Anne Weygood for details. 0429 653 844

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The next meeting will be held on Thursday
 27th July after 9.00am Mass at Victor Harbor.
New members welcome.

PRAYER GROUP (Retreat in Daily Life)

The prayer group will take place on Monday
 24th July in the Annex at 2.00pm.

AUSTRALIA'S LARGEST CLIMATE PETITION TO FEDERAL MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

You are encouraged today to sign this petition
 which is at the entrance of both churches,
 until the end of July.

MARITIME BOUNDARY PETITION

There is a petition at both entrances of St.
 Joan's Church requesting the Government to
 finalise as soon as possible a fair and perman-
 ent maritime boundary between Australia
 and Timor-Leste.

NAME TAGS

You are encouraged to wear name tags at
 Church so that we can recognise and relate to
 each other . The Parish Pastoral Council
 also recommends that we have a "Visitor"
 name tag which will help us to welcome
 visitors.

PARISH BARBEQUE

**St Joan's Social Club BBQ Tea will be held
 at St Joan's Annex
 on Friday 28th July
 5.30pm for 6.00pm**

**\$6.00 per person.
 Please bring along a
 salad, sweet and BYO
 drinks.**

ALSO BRING A FRIEND.

**Phone Margaret Peake on 8552 7162
 Patrine Harris on 8554 3061.**



VINNIES' SHED CLEARANCE

The shed will be open Saturday mornings
 10am – Noon.

You may be interested in browsing through the
 many good items of furniture etc. and purchas-
 ing with a donation to the St Vincent de Paul
 Society.

The shed is located behind St Joan's Church.
 Contact - John on 0419 046 147

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THIS WEEK

A special collection will be taken up this week-
 end for the Apostleship of the Sea.

The Apostleship of the Sea is the Catholic
 Church's Missionary work to the Seafarers
 whether they be on merchant, passenger, war
 or fishing vessels. While the Church has always
 been interested in Seafarers since Christ first gath-
 ered his fishermen -
 disciples around him, the
 modern movement began
 in the 1890s with several
 isolated and independent
 beginnings. The purpose
 of the Apostleship of the
 Sea is to care for the Spir-

itual, Social, and Material welfare of all Seafar-
 ers regardless colour, race or creed. This year's
 theme is "*In the midst of the storm*", highlighting
 the mental vulnerabilities of seafarers on the
 ocean.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS LIST

Recently names have been added to this list
 without the permission of the person concerned.
 Please do not ask for names to be added with-
 out asking permission of the person to be
 included on the list.





PSALM FOR 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

Lord, You are good and forgiving.
O Lord, You are good and forgiving,
full of love to all who call.
Give heed O lord, to my prayer
and attend to the sound of my voice.

All the nations shall come to adore You
and glorify Your name, O Lord:
for You are great and do marvellous
deeds, You Who are alone are God.

But You, God of mercy and compassion,
slow to anger, O Lord,
abounding in love and truth,
turn and take pity on me.

Lord, You are good and forgiving.

ST SHARBEL MAKHLUR

Feast Day 24th July (1828 – 1898)



Although this saint never travelled far from the Lebanese village of Beka-Kafra where he was born, his influence has spread widely.

John Paul II often said

that the Church has two lungs—East and West—and it must learn to breathe using both of them.

Remembering saints like Sharbel helps the Church to appreciate both the diversity and unity present in the Catholic Church. As our prayer life becomes deeper and more honest, we become more ready to make that generous response. *(Excerpt: Franciscan media)*

A PRAYER FOR ALL AGES

God of all creation, you are timeless and beyond all ages.

We who are growing old pray for good health in our later years, and forbearance when our health fails us.



We who are not yet old pray for good health for those we love and compassion towards those who suffer ill health. *(Excerpt: Australian Bishops' Conference)*

ST JAMES, APOSTLE

Feast Day 25th July

James was the son of Zebedee and Salome and the brother of St. John the Apostle. Fishermen like their father, James and John were on their father's boat mending his nets when the Lord passed by. Jesus called James and John, and asked them to follow him.



Along with Peter and his brother John, James was part of the inner circle of Jesus, who witnessed the

Transfiguration, were witnesses to certain of His miracles, like the raising of the daughter of Jairus, and accompanied Him to the Garden of Gethsemane.

STS JOACHIM and ANNE

Feast Day 26th July

Parents of Mary: Grandparents of Jesus

It was in the home of Joachim and Anne where the Virgin Mary received her training to be the Mother of God. Thus, devotion to Ann and Joachim is an extension of the affection Christians have always professed toward our Blessed Mother. We, too, owe a debt of gratitude to our parents for their help in our Christian formation.



Happy Grandparents' Day Wednesday 26th July

COMING KSC EVENTS:

Our next wine raffle will be held leading up to Father's Day.

The annual luncheon will be held at the Middleton Tavern on Thursday 21st September. Our guest speaker will be Brian Ferrari. More details soon.



QUOTABLE QUOTES

**“ Four things that never return :
The spoken word; the spent
arrow; time past; lost opportunity”**

This Week : July 22nd & 23rd

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 J. Ryan

R.2 V. Wyld

E.M. R. Powell, P. Harris

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : K. Howard

R. 1 T. Hounslow

R.2 M. Ferguson

E.M. M. Cunningham, K. Rucioch,
M. Lloyd, P.O'Brien, V. Salmon

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: A. Fawkner

R.1 R. Lee

R.2 C. May

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



Next Week : July 29nd & 30th

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: B. Munday

R.1 C. Sutherland

R.2 B. Bullen

E.M. D. McLaughlin, R. Kuske

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : P. O'Brien

R. 1 A. Willis

R.2 T. Hounslow

E.M. A. Weygood, K. Rucioch,
M. Ferguson, R. Reid, I. Reid.

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: K. Fawkner

R.1 D. McMahan

R.2 J. McMahan

E.M. B. Longworth, J. McInnes,
S. Muller, K. Milne, C. May.

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, 3rd Sundays 11am (Spanish Mass)
2nd Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass)
Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm
Monday 9.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Tuesday 1st week 9.00am and 9.45am
(later Mass followed by Tuesday Chats)
Wednesday 7.30pm
Thursday 9.00am (St John's School)
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

2nd, 4th Sunday 4.00pm

PENNESHAW

St Columba, North Terrace
(shared with Anglicans)
1st Sunday 2.00pm

SEAFORD

Seaford Ecumenical Mission,
Grand Bvd
Sunday 10.45am
Wednesday 9.00am

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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with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn.”

He put another parable before them: ‘The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it is the biggest shrub of all and becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come and shelter in its branches.’

He told them another parable: ‘The kingdom of heaven is like the yeast a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour till it was leavened all through.’

In all this Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables; indeed, he would never speak to them except in parables. This was to fulfil the prophecy:

I will speak to you in parables
and expound things hidden since
the foundation of the world.

Then, leaving the crowds, he went to the house; and his disciples came to him and said, ‘Explain the parable about the darnel in the field to us.’ He said in reply, ‘The sower of the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world; the good seed is the subjects of the kingdom; the darnel, the subjects of the evil one; the enemy who sowed them, the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; the reapers are the angels. Well then, just as the darnel is gathered up and burnt in the fire, so it will be at the end of time. The Son of Man will send his angels and they will gather out of his kingdom all things that provoke offences and all who do evil, and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth. Then the virtuous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Listen, anyone who has ears!’

EXPLORING THE WORD

The contrast between the good and bad seed reflects a reality within Matthew's community. This text highlights the difficulty of being a Church called to spread the good

news while there are some within its ranks who scandalise others by their bad behaviour or decadent way of life.

This parable counsels patience. The answer to the dilemma is to let both the righteous and the lawless members of the community, grow together until the harvest time and then let God be the judge.

Ultimately, this parable assures its hearers that God will not allow evil to destroy what is good.

In the longer version of this gospel, the short parables of the kingdom compare it to a mustard seed and to the yeast in dough. Both are small and insignificant but both develop almost imperceptibly and once begun, there is no stopping them.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Darnel is an annual grass commonly found in grain fields as a weed. When it first shoots it looks very much like wheat.
- There are echoes in this gospel of the final judgment when the good will be separated from the bad, the sheep from the goats, the weeds from the harvest.
- The Jewish faith has a profound respect for the name of God and the holy name is never pronounced or even written in full. The Gospel of Matthew is the most Jewish of the Gospels and characteristically always refers to the kingdom of heaven rather than the kingdom of God.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(24 - 30 July)

- **Monday, 24:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 16 (Ex 14:5-18; Mt 12:38-42)
- **Tuesday, 25:** St James (2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28)
- **Wednesday, 26:** Sts Joachim and Anne (Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Mt 13:1-9)
- **Thursday, 27:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 16 (Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20; Mt 13:10-17)
- **Friday, 28:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 16 (Ex 20:1-17; Mt 13:18-23)
- **Saturday, 29:** St Martha (1Jn 4:7-16; Jn 11:19-27)
- **Sunday 30:** 17th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (1Kg 3:5, 7-12; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52)