



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT -
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*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 43:16-21

Thus says the Lord, who made a way through the sea, a path in the great waters; who put chariots and horse in the field and a powerful army which lay there never to rise again, snuffed out, put out like a wick:

No need to recall the past, no need to think about what was done before. See, I am doing a new deed, even now it comes to light; can you not see it? Yes, I am making a road in the wilderness, paths in the wilds.

The wild beasts will honour me, jackals and ostriches, because I am putting water in the wilderness (rivers in the wild) to give my chosen people drink. The people I have formed for myself will sing my praises.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 125

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

SECOND READING

Philippians 3:8-14

I believe nothing can happen that will outweigh the supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For him I have accepted the loss of everything, and I look on everything as so much rubbish if only I can have Christ and be given a place in him. I am no longer trying for perfection by my own efforts, the perfection that comes from the Law, but I want only the perfection that comes through faith in Christ, and is from God and based on faith. All I want is to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and to share his sufferings by reproducing the pattern of his death. That is the



way I can hope to take my place in the resurrection of the dead. Not that I have become perfect yet: I have not yet won, but I am still running, trying to capture the prize for which Christ Jesus captured me. I can assure you my brothers, I am far from thinking that I have already won. All I can say is that I forget the past and I strain ahead for what is still to come; I am racing for the finish, for the prize to which God calls us upwards to receive in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Joel 2:12-13

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
With all your heart turn to me, for I am tender and compassionate.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!*

GOSPEL

John 8:1-11

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At daybreak he appeared in the Temple again; and as all the people came to him, he sat down and began to teach them.

The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman along who had been caught

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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, Claire Hamish, Barry Wilks, Brian Smallacombe, Bob Willis, Bailey Smallacombe, Ann Tee, Peter Harris, Josephine Proctor, Charlie Nicolson, Paula Collinson, June Lloyd, Eileen McCoey, Carmen Kernahan, Margaret & Len Peake, Ron & Patrine Harris, Neil Cumming, Clancy Retallick, Bob Jeffery.

ANNIVERSARIES

Ian Ferguson, Kevin Higgins, Graham Nicolson,

RECENTLY DECEASED

Pat Liddy

PARISH COLLECTION 26th & 27th March

1st (Presbytery) \$ 841.15
2nd (Parish) \$1289.40

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER 1st & 8th April

W. & J. Baker & M. Cunningham
15th & 22 April
W. & J. Baker & M. Cunningham

VICTOR MORNING TEA 3rd April

M. Cunningham & J. Andrews
10th April
L. Sunman & P. Chigwidden

VICTOR MEET & GREET April Saturdays

M. Farmer & H. Anderson
April Sundays
W. Baker & R. Reid

GOOLWA MEET & GREET April

T. Tomlinson & L. Clayson

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice time 2pm Wednesday

Call Claire Williams 0429 008 199

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR APRIL

Health Care Workers

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.



GOOLWA NEWS

KSC BBQ after 9 am Mass. Just \$2 for a lovely snag, choice of sauces, onions and bread. Best BBQ bargain in town.

TUESDAY 5TH APRIL 9.30-11.30am

St John's **monthly garden clean up** will be happening, with our last chance to get the grounds "shining" before the Easter holiday crowds come upon us.

PALM SUNDAY PREPARATION

ST JOHN'S

Friday 8th April we are **asking for helpers from 10.00am** to place palm branches in and outside the church for Palm Sunday celebrations. We will also cut out the palm leaves to be blessed on the Sunday.

AN EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE



on **Sunday 17th**, will be held on the river at the Goolwa Aquatic Club from 6.30am organised by the

Goolwa Interchurch Group. The service will go for about half an hour and will be followed by a fish breakfast as well as tea and coffee. Yes it is an early hour to rise but this is a very special service with the sunrise coming through on to the river as we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus.

READING SUGGESTION FROM KSC

Recently we introduced you to a small book by Mike Willesee—"A Sceptics Search for meaning". This book, available on the Internet for \$16.99, details that Katya (Catalina) Rivas was used by Jesus, God the Father and our Heavenly Mother as their secretary. Kay was poorly educated but would write continuously for long periods as she received dictation from heaven. To read some of that dictation in Google go to "Katy Rivas writings" and then select to download free ebooks of Catalina's writings. During Lent we suggest you read Jesus' personal account of "The Passion" and "From Sinai to Calvary". Both are small books of approximately 25 pages.

ST JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB

FISH'N' CHIPS NIGHT

LAST CHANCE TO BOOK!!!

St Joan's Social Club will hold a Fish'n'Chips Night on

Friday 8th April at 6pm in the Annex.

Cost \$15 per person. BYO glass & drinks.

Contact Pat Clingan 0410 593 617 or

Colleen Pearsons 0405 634 744.

PLEASE BOOK BY MONDAY 4TH APRIL PHONE OR TXT.

NOTES FROM JANUARY- MARCH 2022

PPC MEETINGS

Membership: Geoff Chalmers, Pat Clingan,

John Dunthorne,

Sharon Duong,

Paul Kennelly (Chair),

Ray Klecko, Mark Leaney,

Rosemary Mulraney (Vice-

Chair, Secretary), Sue McCarthy, Vivi Scriva,

David Taggart, Father Vinh.



Invitation - Future PPC Members: If any parishioner is interested in contributing to the Parish as a Member of the next PPC please speak to Father Vinh / PPC Members.

Employment of a Parish Pastoral Associate:

This Standing Item is reviewed at the first PPC meeting annually. Our current administrative and pastoral structures are working effectively so a Parish Pastoral Associate will not be appointed in 2022.

Parish Annual General Assembly:

The Parish Annual General Assembly is to be held Sunday 30th October 2022. Keep the date! The Archbishop is to say all Parish Masses that weekend. The PPC will invite parishioners to submit questions that they would like to ask the Archbishop at the Annual General Assembly in the time available.

St John's Lenten Group: Vivi Scriva is hosting a Lenten Group in her home and those participating are finding it a very valuable experience.

The Biggest Morning Tea: The Lutheran Congregation and the Parish will host this event Tuesday 24th May at St John's. More news about this closer to the event. Keep the date!

Copies of full Minutes available on Church Notice Boards.

**DAYLIGHT SAVING
FINISHES THIS SUNDAY 3RD APRIL.
TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK
ONE HOUR.**

Bulletin Board



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

5th SUNDAY of LENT, YR.C

*The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy.*

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
it seemed like a dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs.

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels
the Lord worked for them!'

What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad.

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.

Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap.

They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing:
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves.



SAINT JOHN BAPTIST DE LA SALLE

Feast Day 7th April
(1651 – 1719)

From Rheims, France,

St. John Baptist de la Salle is known as the
Father of Modern Pedagogy. He opened
schools free of charge for underprivileged
children and introduced new teaching meth-
ods, such as classroom teaching, using
vernacular instead of Latin to teach, estab-



lishing trade schools, high
schools and a first teachers'
school. He founded the
Brothers of the Christian
Schools. He died in 1719,
and is the patron of teach-
ers of youth. *Catholic Culture*

PASTORAL CARE GROUP ST JOAN'S

will meet next Saturday 9th April in the
Annex at 4.30 pm.

PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE



HOLY WEEK TIMES

HOLY THURSDAY : 14th April

Goolwa - 6.00pm

Victor Harbor - 7.30pm

GOOD FRIDAY : 15th April

Stations of the Cross - Goolwa -

10.00am

Good Friday Service

Victor Harbor - 2.00pm

Goolwa - 4.00pm

HOLY SATURDAY VIGIL : 16th April

Goolwa - 6.00pm

Victor Harbor - 8.00pm

EASTER SUNDAY : 17th April

Goolwa - 9.00am

Victor Harbor - 11.00am

PARISH RECYCLING PROJECTS

Two of our recycling projects are



continuing.

**Aluminium is now being
collected at both**

churches. At St John's
the Lutheran community

has joined in. **St Joan's has the worm**

farm which is now producing worm
pee and worm castings. We are looking

1. For several people ready to share their
food scraps on a regular basis. Contact
Fran Hanna 0415 124 010.

2. We are looking for 2 litre plastic milk
bottles and 2 litre icecream containers.
Please leave in the Flower Room off the
Annex.

We have raised money for our sister
parish Comoro through both these
projects and hope to continue.

SA EDUCATION 5 YR STRATEGY

This week we celebrate the feast day of
St John Baptist de la Salle, founder of the
Salesian Brothers, whose schools are
scattered throughout Australia. Earlier
this year Catholic Education SA
introduced a new strategy:

***Towards 2027: Expanding Horizons
and Deepening Practices - Strategy for
Catholic Education South Australia.***

This new Strategy has many aims includ-
ing educating future leaders to take their
place in contributing to a more socially
just, equitable and hope-filled future
within communities and society. It is truly
a bold Strategy, inspired by the life and
mission of Jesus, and with the learning,
formation and achievement of children
and young people at its heart. We pray
for its success. *CESA*

This Week: 2nd & 3rd April

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00 pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R1. J. Jeffery

R. 2 C. Sutherland

E.M. M. Farmer

VICTOR HARBOR Sunday 11.00 am

Commentator: P. O'Brien

R.1 T. Hounslow

R. 2 A. Williss

E.M. F. Hanna

GOOLWA Sunday 9.00 am

Commentator: P. Kennelly

R. 1 C. May

R. 2 L. Healey

E.M. S. Muller



Next Week: 9th & 10th April

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00 pm

Commentator: F. Hanna

R1. C. Sutherland

R. 2 M. Farmer

Passion Readers J. Ryan
C. Huppatz

E.M. J. Jeffrey

VICTOR HARBOR Sunday 11.00 am

Commentator: R. Klecko

R.1 T. Hounslow

R. 2 A. Rose

Passion Readers P. O'Brien,
K. Dudley

E.M. M. Taylor, M. Cunningham

GOOLWA Sunday 9.00 am

Commentator: J. Ryan

R. 1 E. Bourne

R. 2 Michael Riddle

Passion Readers Marie Riddle
V. Scriva

E.M. M. Glazewski

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 29/3/22)

- As of March 12 there are no density limits for places of worship. Churches may return to full capacity.
- QR codes and/or handwritten logs are essential.
- Please keep in mind the importance of social distancing and good hygiene practices.
- Wearing of masks is mandatory. (A medical certificate must be produced on request, if claiming an exemption.)
- Attendees at indoor religious services may sing during worship, if they wear masks while doing so.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are encouraged not to attend.
- Obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage.



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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

• PARISH PRIEST

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• PARISH MANAGERS

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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)
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• 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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committing adultery; and making her stand there in full view of everybody, they said to Jesus, 'Master, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery, and Moses has ordered us in the Law to condemn women like this to death by stoning. What have you to say?' They asked him this as a test, looking for something to use against him. But Jesus bent down and started writing on the ground with his finger. As they persisted with their question, he looked up and said, 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.' Then he bent down and wrote on the ground again. When they heard this they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest, until Jesus was left alone with the woman, who remained standing there. He looked up and said, 'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?' 'No one, sir' she replied. 'Neither do I condemn you,' said Jesus 'go away, and don't sin any more.'

THE HIGH PRIVILEGE

What really happened to this woman? A group of men, scribes and Pharisees, bring a woman to Jesus. They claim to have caught the woman in the act of committing adultery. The accusation of adultery puts the woman at fault in the relationship – and at risk of being killed as punishment. The scribes and Pharisees push Jesus to agree with them: this woman should be stoned.

But what about the woman's point of view? We do not get the chance to hear the woman's version of what happened. She's gone down in biblical history as "the woman caught in adultery" – but what if another sin took place? What if the woman was actually the survivor of sexual harassment or abuse? What if the sinful actions were not committed by her, but by the other person – the man – caught in the act? As is often the case in such

situations, the public will never know exactly what happened. Most abuse happens behind closed doors. Jesus knows there is more to the story. He does not immediately side with the men in power. Jesus recognises the dignity of this woman and does not condemn her. May we, too, not be so quick to condemn – and instead, be quick to listen.

Think of a person in your acquaintance or in the media whom you've judged harshly. What does your condemnation of that person teach you about the state of your own heart?

Take some time to do a thorough examination of conscience. Make a list of things you want to change about yourself. Spend some time in prayer, thanking God for the call to go higher.

I didn't want some petty, inferior brand of righteousness that comes from keeping a list of rules when I could get the robust kind that comes from trusting Christ – God's righteousness. *GPBS eNews*

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(08 - 14 April)

- **Monday, 08:** Mon, 5th week Lent (Dan 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Jn 8:1-11)
- **Tuesday, 09:** Tuesday, 5th week Lent (Num 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30)
- **Wednesday, 10:** Wed, 5th week Lent (Dan 3:14-20, 24-25, 28; Jn 8:31-42)
- **Thursday, 11:** Thursday, 5th week Lent (Gen 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59)
- **Friday, 12:** Friday, 5th week Lent (Jer 20:10-13; Jn 31-42)
- **Saturday, 13:** Saturday 5th week Lent (Ezek 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56)
- **Sunday, 14:** PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of the LORD (Entrance: Lk 19:28-40; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14-23:56)

PASTORAL CARE

If you need a priest for anointing prior to medical treatment or if you are ill (not necessarily life-threatening) or for last rites please contact: (08) 8552 1084 or in an emergency 0429 098 802.