



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN
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*A living, vibrant
faith community*

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• PARISH NEWSLETTER

Please forward items for the newsletter
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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



MAY YOUR EYES BE OPENED

FIRST READING

Isaiah 35:4-7

Say to all faint hearts,
'Courage! Do not be afraid.

Look, your God is coming,
vengeance is coming, the retribution
of God; he is coming to save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be
opened, the ears of the deaf
unsealed, then the lame shall leap
like a deer and the tongues of the
dumb sing for joy;

for water gushes in the desert,
streams in the wasteland,
the scorched earth becomes a lake,
the parched land springs of water.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 145:7-10

Praise the Lord, my soul!

SECOND READING

James 2:1-5

My brothers, do not try to combine
faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified
Lord, with the making of
distinctions between classes of
people. Now suppose a man comes
into your synagogue, beautifully
dressed and with a gold ring on,
and at the same time a poor man
comes in, in shabby clothes, and
you take notice of the well-dressed
man, and say, 'Come this way to
the best seats'; then you tell the

poor man, 'Stand over there' or
'You can sit on the floor by my
foot-rest.' Can't you see that you
have used two different standards
in your mind, and turned
yourselves into judges, and corrupt
judges at that?

Listen, my dear brothers: it was
those who are poor according to
the world that God chose, to be
rich in faith and to be the heirs to
the kingdom which he promised to
those who love him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Jesus preached the Good News of the
kingdom and healed all who were
sick.*

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 7:31-37

Returning from the district of Tyre,
Jesus went by way of Sidon towards
the Sea of Galilee, right through the
Decapolis region. And they brought
him a deaf man who had an
impediment in his speech; and they
asked him to lay his hand on him. He
took him aside in private, away from
the crowd, put his fingers into the
man's ears and touched his tongue
with spittle.

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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 McCoe, Carmen Kernahan, Cass Le Poidevin, Tanya Schindler, Freya Schindler

ANNIVERSARIES

Ann Sloane, Adrian Langtry, Mary Siciliano

PARISH COLLECTION
28th & 29th August

1st (Presbytery) \$801.15
2nd (Parish) \$1031.20

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER
10th September

W. & J. Baker
17th & 24th September
J. & P. Mezzino

VICTOR MORNING TEA

5th September
L. Sunman & P. Chigwidden
12th September
F. Hanna & M. Mattson

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.

A THANK YOU AND AN INVITATION

A special thank you today to our **Maintenance and Garden Groups** who take care of our Church environments led by **Tony Siciliano in Goolwa and Michael McBride in Victor.**



They are always in need of helpers. Can you spare some time once a month to help out.

One way to care for our environment and

a social event as well.

ST JOHN'S Goolwa grounds will have their monthly clean up and tidy on Tuesday 7th September from 9.30 am till 11.30.

ST JOAN'S MAINTENANCE

will hold their next meeting on Wednesday 8th September at 9.30 am. Morning tea to follow. All welcome.

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.

ST JOAN'S PASTORAL CARE GROUP

Our next meeting is on Saturday 11th September at 4.30pm in the Annex.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

A wonderful treasure among our anniversaries. Pat and Arthur Cheadle have been married

for 68 years!!

They were married on the Feast of the Assumption in 1953.

Our warmest congratulations to you both.



MESSY CHURCH MEETS AGAIN

From 3.30-5.30 pm on Sunday 12th September at St John's

Catholic Church, Goolwa Fun for families: Activity/craft, songs and stories, light meal. For further details, contact 0439 863 065 / 0412 156 917.

FATHERS' DAY

Fathers in Our Lives

We give our thanks, Creator God, for the fathers in our lives.

Fatherhood does not come with a manual,



and reality teaches us that some fathers excel while others fail.

We ask for your blessings for them all and forgiveness where it is needed.

This Father's Day we remember the many sacrifices fathers make for their children and families, and the ways--both big and small--they lift children to achieve dreams thought beyond reach.

For those who are fathers, we ask for wisdom and humility in the face of the task of parenting.

Give them the strength to do well by their children and by You.

In Your Holy name, O God, we pray. Amen.

KSC WINE RAFFLE

K S C wine raffle for Fathers' Day was won by Bill Longworth. Well done Bill who joins those who have had multiple wins. We will have our next raffle at Christmas.

[PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY 17th-18th September](#)

Our delegates would like to hear of any concerns you want them to take to the Diocesan Assembly and also any positive aspects of parish life that you would like to support.



You can speak to them in person or contact them by phone or email. Your privacy will be respected.

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

23rd SUNDAY IN ORD.TIME, YR.B

Praise the Lord, my soul!

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,
who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is He who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord who sets prisoners free.

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind
who raises up those who are bowed
down,
the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord, who protects the stranger.

The Lord upholds the widow and or-
phan,
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age.



SEASONS OF CREATION



**Week 1:
BLOSSOM
NEW LIFE**

"We are being
challenged to

understand that **we do not stand outside
of creation** but are part of it, "joined
in a splendid universal communion" with
other creatures. Australian Social
Justice Statement 2021

**"The land and environment is our
Mother. Treat her with love and ten-
derness,** nurture and never mistreat
her, or take more than what is required."
Vicki Clark Aboriginal Elder.

Next Week 2 – Native flora and fauna

CAN YOU TAKE THIS PLEDGE REQUESTED BY POPE FRANCIS?

I pledge to:

- 1) **Pray for and with creation**
(*spend some time this week seeing
God's beauty in nature and giving
thanks*)
- 2) **Live more simply** (ideas to come)
- 3) **Speak up to protect our common
home** (ideas to come).

NEW PPC MEMBERS



Some current PPC members
will complete their member-
ship. 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.

RECYCLING PROJECT

Rosemary Austin is recycling our **aluminium**
candle holders. Rosemary is also interested in
any **aluminium** tins you might like to donate.
Sources of aluminium: sardine tins,
aluminium foil (clean)..

**One way to distinguish between aluminium
and steel is to use a magnet.**

Aluminium is not magnetic.

Goolwa: Please hand your aluminium
containers to Rosemary.

Victor: There is a bin in the flower room
marked "Aluminium" for candle holders and
aluminium tins and foil (clean).

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL



Dear Sisters and
Brothers I thank you for
your continued support of
Catholic Charities. It is
because of you that
Catholic Charities can
support the agencies that:

- Empower men and women dealing with
homelessness, domestic violence and mental
illness.
- Provide dedicated teachers at our two
special schools.
- Provide accommodation and respite care for
adults and young people living with intellectual
disabilities.
- Reach out to members of our community
who may be lonely and welcome them as part
of the vibrant Aboriginal Catholic community.
- Help members of the Catholic Deaf Commu-
nity to learn and understand about God and
their own faith.

**Thank you for your generosity. By support-
ing Catholic Charities, we can ensure that
these important works continue to flourish
and grow.** In Domino, + Patrick O'Regan
Archbishop of Adelaide

You will find envelopes on the seats.

This Week : 4th & 5th September

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 Sunday 9.00am

Commentator: P. Kennelly

R1 G. Byrne

R2 J.McInnes

E.M. S. Muller



Next 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. Huppertz

R1 E. Bourne

R2 K. O'Shea

E.M. R. Austin

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 21 August, 2021)

- The density requirement is now 3 people per 4 sqm. Weddings and funerals are capped at 50 people (provided density requirements are met).
- Wearing of masks is mandatory for indoor places. Wearing of masks is strongly recommended for Parish Offices.
- Congregational singing is permitted so long as singers wear a mask that covers both mouth and nose.
- Recommendation from Archdiocesan Office that tea/coffee after Mass be suspended.
- Social distancing is mandatory - DO NOT CONGREGATE at entry/exit and outside.
- There should be no shaking of hands or holding hands during the Mass.
- 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.
- Hand sanitizer is available at Church entrances.
- Offertory procession will be omitted. Communion is given only in hands. Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Collection plates will not be passed around, but a single drop point is provided at the churches.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- All surfaces should be cleaned at least daily, with special attention given to frequently touched surfaces.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people should be encouraged not to attend.
- Care should be taken at the dismissal and on leaving the church to minimise social contact.
- The Archdiocese recommends Covid vaccination for all (please check with your GP if you have concerns).
- 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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Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, ‘Ephphatha’, that is, ‘Be opened.’ And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. ‘He has done all things well,’ they said ‘he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.’

OFF-TRACK HEALING

Jesus cured the deaf man with the speech impediment in this week’s gospel by poking him in the ear and spitting in his mouth. Oddly enough that was the common method of treatment among the healers of Jesus’ time. So, what made Jesus different? Why was he thrilling the masses like no other healer before or since? I chalk it up to one simple gesture: Jesus took the deaf man “off by himself away from the crowd”. You see, Jesus wasn’t looking for glory or recognition in his ministry. What he wanted was whole and well people. He knew the best way to accomplish that was to keep himself and the sick person focussed on the healing and undistracted by the crowd. And by protecting his patient from the embarrassment of peering eyes, Jesus showed a profound respect for the deaf man, which no doubt played a part in the cure.

Think of the times you’ve been pulled aside by a parent, friend, boss, or mentor and been called to task or given some advice. How much better did you hear the words being spoken during those times than when someone tried to set you straight in front of roomful of people?

Next time you feel someone is turning a deaf ear on you, follow Jesus’ lead and use respect, not shame, to remedy the situation.

The Commissioning:
Go from here as those who will widen their horizons. We will not be bound by habitual thoughts and actions. We will listen for different voices. We will reflect on new approaches. We will try opening our

hearts to other things. We will rejoice in unexpected experiences of justice. We will accept fresh leading of the Spirit. The God of Love will be your companion. We have nothing to fear.

GPBS eNews

DID YOU KNOW?

- Tyre and Sidon are cities on the Mediterranean coast in the far north of Israel, now southern Lebanon. They were the leading cities of the Phoenicians. This was not Jewish territory. Jesus has entered the realm of the Gentiles.
- The Decapolis was a federation of ten cities with a largely Greek culture. Most were in the area of the eastern side of the Jordan River to the south of the Sea of Galilee.

THIS WEEK’S READINGS

(September 06 - 12)

- **Monday, 06:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (Col 1:24 - 2:3; Lk 6:6-11)
- **Tuesday, 07:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19)
- **Wednesday, 08:** The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Micah 5:1-4; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23)
- **Thursday, 09:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38)
- **Friday, 10:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (1 Tim 1:1-2, 12-14; Lk 6:39-42)
- **Saturday, 11:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (1 Tim 1:15-17; Lk 6:43-49)
- **Sunday 12:** 24th SUNDAY in ORD TIME (Is 50:5-9; James 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35)



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).