



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

25TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

*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

Amos 8:4-7

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat?

Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweeping of the wheat.'

The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 112:1-2, 4-8

Praise the Lord, who lifts up the poor.

SECOND READING

1 Timothy 2:1-8

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone – petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving – and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be

saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and humankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and – I am telling the truth and no lie – a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

2 Cor 8:9

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 16:1-13

Jesus said to his disciples, 'There was a rich man and he had a steward who was denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer."

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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, Bob Willis, Bailey Smallacombe, Ann Tee, Peter Harris, Josephine Proctor, Rita Sullivan, Charlie Nicolson, Paula Collinson, June Lloyd, Eileen McCoey, Len Peake, Ron & Patrine Harris, Neil Cumming, Clancy Retallick, Ann & Kevin Hannagan, Mollie Davis, Jutta Millar, Daniel Holliday, Cath Howard

RECENTLY DECEASED

Margaret Peake, Barry Wilks

ANNIVERSARIES

Joe O'Shaughnessy

PARISH COLLECTION 10th & 11th September

1st (Presbytery) \$ 810.80
2nd (Parish) \$1288.20

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

23rd & 30th September
M. Farmer & C. Pearsons

VICTOR MORNING TEA 18th September

F. Hanna & M. Mattsson
25th September
M. Cunningham & J. Andrews

VICTOR MEET & GREET September Saturday

M. Farmer & H. Anderson
September Sunday
L. Sunman & F. Harris

GOOLWA MEET & GREET September

R. Sadlon

MORNING TEA September

J. Dunthorne, P. Kennelly,
M. O'Halloran

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice time 2pm Wednesday

Call Claire Williams 0429 008 199

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER

For The Abolition of the Death Penalty: We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.



EXPERIENCING NATURE PRAYING IN NATURE



Here on the Fleurieu we see so much of the beauty and splendour of nature. Parishioners are talking about the joy of returning to work in their gardens, of soaking up the sun when it appears, of watching the birds building their nests. Such wonder and deep appreciation can transform the moments of our day. Can be a silent prayer. Thomas Berry a theologian writes: *"Perhaps a new revelatory experience is taking place, an experience wherein human consciousness awakens to the grandeur and sacred quality of the Earth process..... In such a renewal lies our hope for the future for ourselves and for the entire planet on which we live."* (Thomas Berry, "Ethics and Ecology," in *The Great Work*, 106).

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE 21st September

Each year the International Day of Peace is observed around the world on 21 September. The UN General Assembly has declared this as a day devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace, through observing 24 hours of non-violence and cease-fire. But achieving true peace entails much more than laying down arms. It requires the building of societies where all members feel that they can flourish. It involves creating a world in which people are treated equally, regardless of their race. We pray for peace in Ukraine.

PARISH SURVEY

Parishioners' responses have been summarised and will be presented at a Mass prior to the AGA; presented to the AGA; and will be discussed by the 2022-2024 PPC.

WORM PRODUCE

will be sold at VH weekend Masses.



SEASON OF CREATION LAUDATO SI PLATFORM 7-YEAR PLAN



Pope Francis has asked that Dioceses and parishes around the world sign up to develop a **7-year plan to become more sustainable and to reach out to those in need**, particularly to those affected by climate change.

The Plenary Council in turn has decreed that all Australian parishes should be signed up to this plan by 2024.

Our Parish Pastoral Council has taken the first steps to become part of this programme. On this Sunday September 18th, Archbishop Patrick O'Regan will launch **Diocesan Laudato Si' Action Platform** with a Pilgrimage to Country, beginning at MacKillop Plaza next to the Cathedral at 2pm and walking to the Victoria Park wetlands.

MIGRANT AND REFUGEE WEEKEND 24th and 25th September

Don't forget to wear your multi-cultural outfit or your colours to our Masses



NEXT WEEKEND As well please bring along a sample of your traditional food to share after the 11.00am Mass. There are rumours of national soups and even a Guinness stew!! And Irish soda bread!!

Come along and celebrate this weekend of cultural diversity.

And give thanks for what our migrants and refugees have contributed to our Australian nation and to the Church in Australia.

DON'T FORGET

PLACING OF THE PLAQUE commemorating the former Convent and School after the 11am Mass.

DON'T FORGET

the 10 minute Comoro slides after Masses this weekend with further slides on Sunday at Victor for the those interested.

DON'T FORGET

GOOLWA SEASON OF CREATION WALK

Wednesday 21st September after Mass. Park and meet at Liverpool St opposite the Riverview Café.

Phone Rosemary on 0438 606 630.





RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Praise the Lord, who lifts up the poor.

Right:

Praise, O servants of the Lord,
raise the name of the Lord!
May the name of the Lord be blessed
both now and for evermore!

Left

High above all nations is the Lord,
above the heavens His glory.
Who is like the Lord, our God,
who has risen on high to His throne
yet stoops from the heights to look down,
to look down upon heaven and earth?

Right:

From the dust He lifts up the lowly,
from the dung heap He raises the poor
to set him in the company of princes,
yes, with the princes of His people.



SAINT MATTHEW

Feast Day 21st September

Matthew was a

tax-collector for the Romans. Tax-collectors were regarded by the Pharisees as sinners, not allowed to trade, eat, or pray with other



Jews. One day, while Matthew was seated at his table of books and money, Jesus looked at him and said two words: "Follow me." Matthew rose, leaving his pieces of silver to follow Christ. His new name in Christ, Matthew, means "Gift of God."

SPECIAL THANKS to

Marilyn Freeborn who has worked tirelessly on the Parish Finance Committee since its inception some 13 years ago. Marilyn has been exemplary in the role of secretary and back-up treasurer during this time. We will miss her engaging personality as well as her well-balanced contribution in decision-making, which has always been with the best interests of the parish at heart. Our sincere thanks Marilyn.

PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE



KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS SEPTEMBER REPORT

FUNDRAISING: Our wine raffle for Fathers Day was a sellout at both Mass centres, as well the 45 Club was filled again, and our monthly BBQ a sell out. We sure owe great thanks to our wonderful parishioners who support our fundraising so well. You can be sure we transfer that support to the many worthy causes we support. Each month in this report we will advise those we have donated to assist. The next wine raffle will be at Christmas.

Congratulations to Eugene Bourne (Goolwa) and Bob Jeffery (Victor Harbor) who took out the Fathers Day prizes. Special thanks to Des Wallace who looked after the Fathers Day raffle in Victor with support from Peter O'Shaughnessy and Jane Andersson.

The next BBQ at Goolwa will be held on 2nd October which is a long weekend, as well as the start of daylight saving.

WELCOME BACK:

Secretary Mike O'Halloran with wife Marina returned from a trip to the UK this week. It will be great to have Mike on board again.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Joe O'Shaughnessy, Ian Reid and Bernie Rush. May they rest in eternal peace.

The AGM of our branch followed by a general meeting will be held on 21st September at Goolwa at 4 pm.

In our free copy of the Southern Cross this week is an article on Bishop Charles Gauci of Darwin, now known as the Bishop of the Outback! No surprise for those of us who knew him in his term as our Parish Administrator.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

There will be a third collection this weekend for South Australian Catholic Charities.



THIS WEEK 17th & 18th Sept.

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator:

E. O'Shaughnessy.

R.1 B. Bullen

R.2 C. Huppertz

E.M. J. Jeffery

Sunday 11.00am

Commentator: P. O'Brien

R. 1 L. Sunman

R. 2 T. Hounslow

E.M. P. Clingan

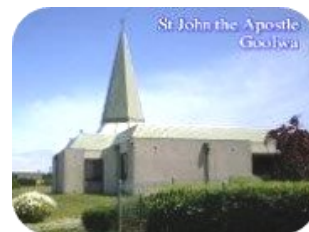
GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: J. Ryan

R. 1 C. May

R. 2 M. Freeborn

E.M. M. Ryan



NEXT WEEK 24th & 25th Sept.

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: J. Ryan.

R.1 E. O'Shaughnessy

R.2 M. Farmer

E.M. C. Sutherland

Sunday 11.00am

Commentator: F. Hanna

R. 1 P. O'Brien

R. 2 A. Weygood

E.M. M. Cunningham

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: M. O'Halloran

R. 1 Marie Riddle

R. 2 Michael Riddle

E.M. M. Glazewski

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 15/09/22)

- If you have tested positive for COVID-19, please follow the SA Health instructions in regard to isolating and other government health protocols. Stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- The density requirement has been updated to full capacity in all churches and also includes funerals and weddings.
- Wearing of face-masks in Church is strongly recommended. (Show you care and wear a mask.)
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home and not attend services.
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances.
- Communion is given only in hands. Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.

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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

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• CHILD PROTECTION

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Goolwa (Cathy May 0401 584 237)
Victor Harbor (Parish Office 8552 1084)

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Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes."

Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty."

'The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light.

'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

WASTE NOT

Every once in a while, I am aware that I spend more money than I should on things that I really do not need. The most recent example, but not the only one, occurred not long ago when in Melbourne for three weeks, waiting for the birth of a second grandchild. I did laundry for my daughter and her family. I took the living room rug to the laundromat to be washed. I wrote letters. I read a 600-page biography of

Patsy Jefferson, daughter of Thomas. And I shopped - for things I did not need.

This was the most recent instance, but when these once-in-a-while urges occur, I buy clothes I do not need. I eat out more because it's easier, and I shop online for books rather than find them at the nearby library. I don't economise when grocery shopping but rather buy every conceivable delectable treat that meets my eye, no matter the price.

When I spend with such abandon, I ignore the little voice within that says I should be more responsible about using my resources. The bills will come, and the money is there, but this persistent voice of conscience asks: "Is this how I am to use the treasure that has been entrusted to my care?" In my heart of hearts, I know that it is not. We've been put on notice by the gospels not to squander what has been entrusted to us.

The Commissioning: Faithful in everything, you call us, O God, to the joy of worship, Sunday by Sunday. Faithful in everything you call us, O God, to friendships which are healthy and sustaining. Faithful in everything, you call us, O God, to use our own resources compassionately and justly. Faithful in everything, you call us, O God, to build up this community, with kindness and the values of Christ.

GPBS eNews

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(19 - 29 September)

- **Monday, 19:** St Pius of Pietrelcina (Ezra 1:1-6; Lk 8:16-18)
- **Tuesday, 20:** Weekday, Ord Time 25 (Ezra 6:7-8, 12, 14-20; Lk 8:19-21)
- **Wednesday, 21:** Weekday, Ord Time 25 (Ezra 9:5-9; Lk 9:1-6)
- **Thursday, 22:** Weekday, Ord Time 25 (Haggai 1:1-8; Lk 9:7-9)
- **Friday, 23:** St Vincent de Paul (Haggai 1:15-2:9; Lk 9:18-22)
- **Saturday, 24:** Weekday, Ord Time 25 (Zech 2:5-9, 14-15; Lk 9:43-45)
- **Sunday 29:** 26th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Amos 6:1, 4-7; 1 Tim 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31)

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.