



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

12th SUNDAY in ORDINARY
TIME - YEAR A

*A living, vibrant
faith community*

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VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT

OUR VISION:

To build a faith community centred on the loving relationship of Father, Son and Holy Spirit, expressed in personal lives and communal parish activities.

OUR MISSION IS TO:

- Develop relevant and prayerful Eucharistic celebrations
- Foster the experience of a personal relationship with God
- Provide Faith Formation opportunities
- Care for each other particularly the sick, lonely, aged and disabled
- Witness to God's love for our earthly common home and all its creatures that abound

WE WILL:

- Reach out to those in need
- Be committed to Catholic Social Justice principles
- Pray and work together with Christian Churches and all people of goodwill
- Engage with young people
- Care for our environment towards a sustainable future
- Strengthen bonds with First Nation peoples

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

RECONCILIATION

St Joan's, Victor Harbor - Saturday
11am - 11.30am, or by appointment.



FIRST READING

Jeremiah 20:10-13

Jeremiah said:

I hear so many disparaging me,
“Terror from every side!”

Denounce him! Let us denounce
him!”

All those who used to be my friends
watched for my downfall,

‘Perhaps he will be seduced into
error. Then we will master him and
take our revenge!’

But the Lord is at my side, a mighty
hero; my opponents will stumble,
mastered, confounded by their
failure; everlasting, unfor-gettable
disgrace will be theirs. But you,
Lord of Hosts, you who probe with
justice, who scrutinise the loins and
heart, let me see the vengeance you
will take on them, for I have
committed my cause to you. Sing to
the Lord, praise the Lord, for he has
delivered the soul of the needy from
the hands of evil men.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 68:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35

Lord, in your great love, answer me.

SECOND READING

Romans 5:12-15

Sin entered the world through one
man, and through sin death, and thus
death has spread through the whole
human race because everyone has

sinned. Sin existed in the world long
before the Law was given. There was
no law and so no one could be
accused of the sin of ‘law-breaking’,
yet death reigned over all from Adam
to Moses, even though their sin,
unlike that of Adam, was not a matter
of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but
the gift itself considerably outweighed
the fall. If it is certain that through one
man's fall so many died, it is even
more certain that divine grace, coming
through the one man, Jesus Christ,
came to so many as an abundant free
gift.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn15:26, 27

Alleluia, alleluia!

*The Spirit of Truth will bear witness
to me, says the Lord, and you also will
be my witnesses. Alleluia!*

GOSPEL

Matthew 10:26-33

Jesus instructed the Twelve as
follows: ‘Do not be afraid. For
everything that is now covered will be
uncovered, and everything now
hidden will be made clear. What I say
to you in the dark, tell in the daylight;
what you hear in whispers, proclaim
from the housetops.

‘Do not be afraid of those who kill the
body but cannot kill the soul; fear him

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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)

John Wallace, Claire Hamish, Bob Willis, Jeffery Family, Bailey Smallacombe, Ann Tee, Charlie Nicolson, Paula Collinson, Jane Lloyd, Eileen McCoe, Len Peake, Ron Harris, Neil Cumming, Clancy Retallick, Ann Hannagan, Mollie Davis, Jutta Millar, Cath Howard, Keith Fawcner, Trudi McNamara, Elizabeth Nance, Allen Odgers, Jan Henderson, Jesse Walker, Richard Eisenkoeck, Rose Munro, Dave Rivers

RECENTLY DECEASED

Jack Sullivan, Patrine Harris, Hayden Harrop

ANNIVERSARIES

Rita Sullivan

PARISH COLLECTION
17th & 18th June

1st (Presbytery) \$696.95
2nd (Parish) \$990.00

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER
30th June & 7th July

M. Farmer & C. Pearsons

VICTOR MORNING TEA
25th June

W. & J. Baker

VICTOR MEET & GREET
June Saturdays

M. Farmer & H. Anderson

June Sundays

W. & J. Baker

GOOLWA MEET & GREET
June

S. & R. Lee

Morning Tea

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

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice time 2pm Wednesday
Call Claire Williams 0429 008 199

HOLY FATHER'S 2023 PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JUNE

For the abolition of torture. We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.



TOO BUSY



When we leave some breathing room in our lives God will have the room to move more freely in them.

So busy doing, there's no time for being.
So busy living, there's no thought of dying.
So busy thinking, there's

no mindfulness.
So distracted, there's no concentration.
So distraught there's no freedom here.
So disaffected, there's no space for being.
So tense with worry, there's no calm abiding.
So tired by fear, there's no peace within.
So tired through busy-ness, no rest for me.
I wake up, I grow up, I remember life's purpose.
I live into this moment, less distracted, more calm.
I notice the beauty, the goodness, the truth that embraces me, kisses me, when I let go
Of business, tenseness, fear and worry.
Let go to remember the space and the freedom that's promised to those who live Loving, and love Living TODAY!
Di Shearer

CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

We meet for Lectio Divina (Scripture Reflection) and meditation on Monday afternoons at 4.00. Please contact Anne Weygood for details. 0429 653 844.

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY

Group meets fortnightly on Monday afternoons 2.00-4.00pm. Phone Rob & Jocelyne Randabel-Williamson on 0402 341 071.

THE CENACLE

You are invited to join us in The Cenacle held every Wednesday at 9.30am in St Joan of Arc Church. We start by praying the Rosary, reading, meditating and reflecting on one of the messages given to Father Gobbi by Mary our Mother, and making an act of consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.
Gemma Woodhead 0492 849 414



St Joan's Annex

*for our Christmas in July Dinner
Come and mingle & jingle on
Friday 21st July – 6 for 6.30pm
Chicken roast with all the
trimmings, pudding & custard
plus more.*

*\$20 per head, BYO drinks. RSVP
Colleen Pearsons 0405 634 744 or
Pat Clingan 0410 593 617
Book & pay by 12th July*

KNIGHTS OF SOUTHERN CROSS LUNCHEON.



Thank you to all who supported our yearly luncheon on Thursday 15th June.

The ladies supplied a lovely array of salads, and we were spoilt by having apple crumble and ice cream for dessert. **David Huppertz** began the day with a witty array of church notices that just slightly went wrong, plus an Irish joke on the Murphy twins.

Ray Klecko gave an interesting and entertaining talk on his time in State and Catholic Education.

All up a great day and again we thank the 38 people who came along. Good luck to those who won one of our great raffle prizes, with many being won by those who made the trip from Victor.

A special and belated thanks to Joy McInnes, who once again was at the door and guided people to their seating. Still going strong in her 90s and still putting her hand up to help. The day made a profit of \$550.

The Goolwa community will mourn the recent passing of Hayden Harrop. Hayden and his lovely wife Judy were regular Mass attenders as well as supporting as many social events as possible. After Judy lost her battle to cancer Hayden stayed with us for a while but eventually moved to Brisbane to be with family but thru Facebook stayed in touch with many parishioner's. A much loved man with a very dry sense of humour. May he rest in peace.

Bulletin Board



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr. A.

Lord, in your great love, answer me.

It is for you that I suffer taunts
that shame covers my face,
that I have become a stranger to my brothers
an alien to my own mother's sons.
I burn with zeal for your house
and taunts against you fall on me.

This is my prayer to you,
my prayer for your favour.
In your great love, answer me, O God,
with your help that never fails:
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;
in your compassion, turn towards me.

The poor when they see it will be glad
and God-seeking hearts will revive;
for the Lord listens to the needy;
and does not spurn His servants in their chains.
Let the heavens and the earth give Him praise,
the sea and all its living creatures.



SAVE CALVARY PUBLIC HOSPITAL Australian Capital Territory (ACT)

Catholic leaders have criticised the ACT Government for setting a dangerous precedent and undermining religious freedoms by forcibly acquiring the hospital, which has come under criticism in the past for its stance on voluntary assisted dying and abortion. More information available on:

<https://ausprayernet.org.au/2023/06/13/calvary-health-care-losses-court-case-to-stop-government-takeover-of-canberra-hospital/>

PRAYER FOR THE WORLDWIDE SYNOD (MEETING OF BISHOPS)



Once again
Victor Harbor and
Goolwa
parishioners are
invited to join

together at St John's Goolwa after
Mass, with a brief Taizé prayer.

CHURCH: St John's

DATE: This Wednesday, 28th June

TIME: 10am

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

Feast Day 29th June
(d. 67)



The two great Apostles, Peter and Paul, are the solid rock on which the Church is built. They are at the origin of her faith and forever remain her protectors and guides. Under God's providential guidance they were led to make Rome, the capital of the Empire, the centre of the Christian world whence should radiate the preaching of the Gospel.

Peter laboured in Rome as an apostle. The first bishop of Rome, he died there bound to a cross as a martyr under Nero, (67 A.D.). According to tradition he also was the first bishop of Antioch. He is the author of two letters, the first Christian encyclicals.

St Paul arrived at Rome in the spring of 61 and passed the next two years in easy confinement before being released. The last years of the saint's life were devoted to missionary excursions, probably including Spain, and to revisiting his first foundations. In 66 he returned to Rome, was taken prisoner, and beheaded a year later in the Via Ostia on the spot where now stands the basilica bearing his name. His fourteen letters are a precious legacy; they afford a deep insight into a great soul. *Catholic Culture*

**WE PRAY TO STS PETER AND PAUL AS
OUR BISHOPS AND SOME
REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE
CATHOLIC LAITY PREPARE TO REVIEW
OUR CHURCH DURING THE WORLD-WIDE
SYNOD OF BISHOPS IN OCTOBER.
WE PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR OUR
AUSTRALIAN DELEGATE
ARCHBISHOP O'REGAN.**

TOGETHER ON THE WAY – JOURNEY TO THE SYNOD

You are invited to join the first of three gatherings with Archbishop Patrick O'Regan as we journey toward the Synod.

This gathering will explore communion, participation and mission - Sunday 4th July, 2023 at 7pm at the Monastery, 15 Cross Rd, Urrbrae. There will be live-streaming for those who cannot be there in person.

Bookings via trybooking.com/CJDOH



**PRAY FOR
THE PEOPLE OF
UKRAINE**

THIS WEEK 24th & 25th June

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 S. Duong

R.2 L. Blacket

EMHC E. O'Connell

Sunday 11am

Commentator: T. Hounslow

R. 1 K. Dudley

R. 2 A. Williss

EMHC L. Sunman

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: D. Huppertz

R. 1 J. Ryan

R. 2 R. Lee

EMHC T. Siciliano



NEXT WEEK 1st & 2nd July

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 J. Ryan

R.2 M. Mulvihill

EMHC J. Jeffrey

Sunday 11am

Commentator: R. Klecko

R. 1 W. Baker

R. 2 A. Rose

EMHC P. Clingan

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: M. Freeborn

R. 1 V. Scriva

R. 2 P. Kennelly

EMHC A. Turner

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA
NGARRINDJERI and
RAMINDJERI land

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

• **PARISH PRIEST**

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• **PARISH MANAGERS**

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Mrs Pat Clingan (0410 593 617)
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• **PARISH NEWSLETTER**

Please forward items for the newsletter to the Parish Office - 8552 1084, catholicvhg@bigpond.com (*All items for the newsletter by Wednesday evening*)

• **PARISH TREASURER**

Mr Merv Mallett (0412 103 443)
Email: parish_treasure@bigpond.com

• **CHILD PROTECTION**

Child Protection Unit (8210 8159)
Goolwa (Cathy May 0401 584 237)
Victor Harbor (Office 8552 1084)

• **CSHW SA (Safety, Health, Welfare)**
Cathy May (0401 584 237)



COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

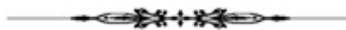
(*Current from 23/06/23*)

- If you have tested positive for COVID-19, please stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home.
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances.
- Communion is given only in hands. Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Collection plates are to be passed around with minimum contact.

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rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

‘So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.’



WHISPERED WORDS

(*Matthew 10: 26 - 33*)

Jesus says to fear no one; but I run out of fingers counting the people and situations that cause fear and anxiety in my life. I want to believe with the certainty of Paul, but often I find myself keeping company with Jeremiah, worried to a frazzle. Is it that I doubt God is going to get me out of the latest scrape I'm in (Yes.) Is it that God has given me reason to doubt that I will be rescued? (No.) So what's the problem?

The problem is me, not God. God keeps track of the hairs on my head and the fate of every sparrow, but I'm keeping the log of everything that can and does go wrong with frail mortality. People go broke. People get sick. People die. These things are often more compelling to me than God's domination over creation. Jesus reminds us that the body is not as important as the soul, but I have grown very fond of the body and have spent a lifetime preserving it. Still, I crawl up on the rooftop of hope every once in a while and warble faintly about what I've heard and believe, despite all uncertainty, to be true. When I speak this truth, its certainty grows in me. When I act on this truth, I'm brought into the light.

Pray: Patient God, it's true: we don't want you to disrupt our peace. Too often, we don't let you interrupt our comfort and complacency. We like things the way they are. We like living based on the economy of this world, rather than your economy of love. Too often we choose the easy road. We wonder: What are you seeking to

teach us? What are we to learn from you? Too much of our lives is spent doubting you, instead of living into your beautiful reminder that we are heard, known, and loved. For this, we say sorry, forgive. Amen.

GPBS eNews

KIDS' CORNER

When you hear the word "champion," what do you think of? Probably someone who is the best at something, right? But "champion" has another meaning too. To be another person's "champion" means you support them. You stand up for them, no matter what. Our mightiest champion is God. Whether we win or lose or make a big mistake, God is there, behind and beside us. Even when it seems like the rest of the world has forgotten or dismissed us, God stays close, reminding us that we are God's prized children.

SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

Jesus' words in this text are words of encouragement for the confused and fearful Christians of that time and all times. He speaks of a time when his teachings will be shouted from the rooftops and clear to all. Jesus reassures believers that their faith will be rewarded. They are precious to him and to the Father.



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(*26 June - 02 July*)

- **Monday, 26:** Weekday, Ord Time 12 (Gen 12:1-9; Mt 7:1-5)
- **Tuesday, 27:** Weekday, Ord Time 12 (Gen 13:2, 5-18; Mt 7:6, 12-14)
- **Wednesday, 28:** St Irenaeus (Gen 15:1-12, 17-18; Mt 7:15-20)
- **Thursday, 29:** Sts PETER and PAUL (Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19)
- **Friday, 30:** Weekday, Ord Time 12 (2 Kg 25:1-12; Mt 8:1-4)
- **Saturday, 01:** Weekday, Ord Time 12 (Gen 18:1-15; Mt 8:5-17)
- **Sunday 02:** 13th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (2Kg 4:8-11, 14-16; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42)

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.