



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

26th SUNDAY in ORDINARY
TIME - YEAR B

*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

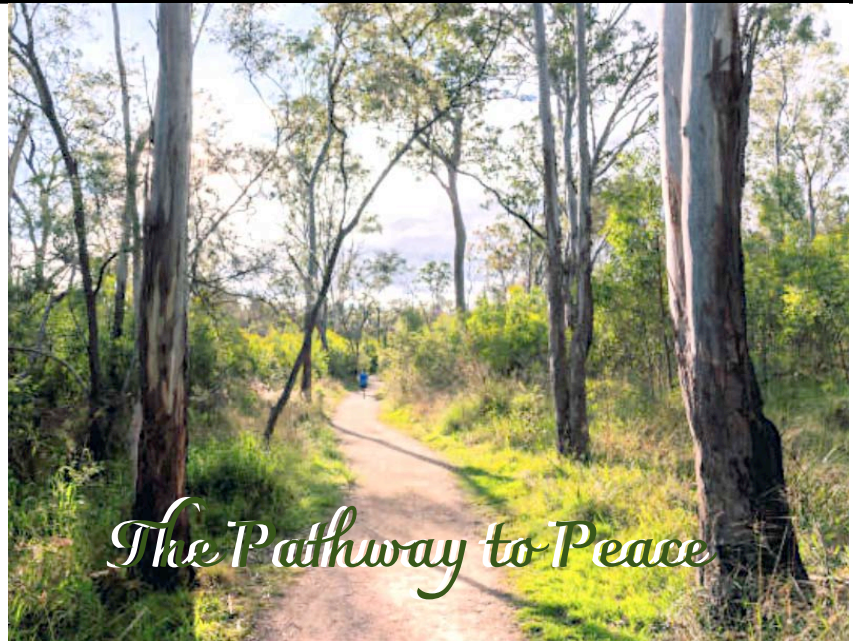
Weekend - Saturday 6.00pm;
Sunday 11.00am.
Weekdays - Tuesday, Thursday,
Friday 9.00am

GOOLWA

Weekend - Sunday 9.00am.
Weekday - Wednesday 9.30am

RECONCILIATION

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



FIRST READING

Numbers 11:25-29

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again.

Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look,' he said 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 18:8, 10, 12-14

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

SECOND READING

James 5:1-6

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that

are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 17:17

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Your word, O Lord, is truth:
make us holy in the truth.*

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop 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, Jeffery Family, Natalie Millar, Ann Tee, Bailey Smallacombe, Charlie Nicolson, Jane Lloyd, Geoff Munro, Eileen McCoey, Len Peake, Neil Cumming, Mollie Davis, David Lee, Evelyn Liston, Ann Hannagan, Trudi McNamara, Allen Odgers Elizabeth Nance, Rose Munro, Andrew Nichols, John Slagter, William Ash, Eloise Ash, Gavin Schumacher, Jim Ryan, Leonie Hassan, Fr Vinh Tran, John Tregeagle, Greg Hope, Mairead Cummings, Maire Ryan, John McAuliffe, Meg Klecko, Stephen Vernon, Graham Blacket, Jo Andrews

RECENTLY DECEASED

Julie Bradley

ANIVERSARIES

Margaret Hope

PARISH COLLECTION 21st & 22nd September

1st (Presbytery) \$ 922.85
2nd (Parish) \$1021.00

Direct Debit Details :
BSB 085 005 A/C 489786431

VICTOR MORNING TEA 29th September

F. Hanna
6th October
L. Sunman & P. Chigwidden

VICTOR MEET & GREET October Saturdays

M. Farmer & M. Tuckey
October Sundays
R. Reid & M. Cunningham

GOOLWA MEET & GREET October A. Turner

MORNING TEA

October P. Kennelly,
J, Dunthorne, M. O'Halloran
ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP
Practice 3.00pm Wednesday.
Claire Williams 0429 008 199

HOLY FATHER'S 2024 PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER: FOR THE CRY OF THE EARTH:

Let us pray that each of us listens with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit.



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY 6TH OCTOBER

Remember to turn your clocks forward one hour.



SYNODALITY – a strange word:

Synodality can be understood as Christians walking in communion with Christ toward the Kingdom along with the whole of humanity, listening and discerning together the way we should go. Each of us plays our own role, clergy and laity, but each sharing the Holy Spirit because of our baptism.

A POEM OF CREATION Michael Riddle

pianissimo

*in this absence of tree, of shrub
in this hazardous heat
even the sounds of a sympathetic piano
would be anomalous to the pianissimo
of the desert symphony
of lizard eyes blinking
scorpion tails rising
hopping mice fidgeting
wind through hawk hover*

observe the orchestration of near silence

AN IMPORTANT REQUEST

Before you give out the contact details (phone or email) of any parishioner, please make sure you have permission to do so by contacting the person involved. Thank you.

HOUSE NEEDED FOR RENT



A local parishioner and his family are requiring a long term house to rent in the area.
Please contact him on
0421 042 129 if you can help.

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES



THEME: *God walks with his people.*

We give thanks for those migrants and refugees who have contributed so much to our Australian way of life. We also remember those who currently seek refuge from conflict, persecution and economic difficulties just as the Holy Family once had to flee from the persecution of Herod. May our hearts be open and generous to their needs.



PRAY FOR WORLDWIDE GATHERING OF BISHOPS, PRIESTS, RELIGIOUS, AND LAYPEOPLE WHICH COMMENCES NEXT MONDAY 2nd OCTOBER

Prayer for the 16th Synod on Synodality

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts. Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together.

IT'S ALMOST HERE!! OUR PARISH ASSEMBLY

will be held on Sunday
27th October at St Joan's from
12 noon following 11am Mass .



Come along to hear reports about the parish and share your ideas.

Our special guest speaker this year is Father Paul Cashen, MSC (Missionary of the Sacred Heart) who will share something of his ministry.

This week there will be an insert in the Encounter for you to indicate if you are attending the Parish Assembly.

Please fill out and leave in box in foyer.

SAVE THE DATE

Melbourne Cup at St Joan's on Tuesday 5th November. More information soon



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RESPONSORIAL PSALM 26th SUNDAY IN ORD.TIME, YR.B

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

The law of the Lord is perfect,
it revives the soul.

The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
it gives wisdom to the simple.

The fear of the Lord is holy,
abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth
and all of them just.

So in them your servant finds instruction;
great reward is in their keeping.
But who can detect all his errors?
From hidden faults acquit me

From presumption restrain your servant
and let it not rule me.

Then shall I be blameless,
clean from grave sin.



SAINT THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS Feast Day 1st October (1873 – 1897)

An obscure cloistered
Carmelite nun, St Therese
has had universal appeal
since her death from
consumption at the age of
24. She was brought up in
a model Christian home.



While still a child she felt the attraction of the cloister, and at fifteen obtained permission to enter the Carmel of Lisieux. For the next nine years she lived a very ordinary religious life, with no miracles, exploits or austerities recorded of her. Popularly known as "the Little Flower" she had a great love of the Church, a zeal for the conversion of souls and prayed especially for priests. St Therese has never ceased to fulfill her promise: "I will pass my heaven in doing good on earth." Pope John Paul II declared her a Doctor of the Church in 1997.

Catholic Culture

PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE & THE HOLY LAND



KNIGHTS ANNUAL LUNCHEON



Many thanks to all who have put their names down for our luncheon on 17th October. We have 45 booked for the day, which is very pleasing.

Anyone who would like to add their name to the list could you please do so by Wednesday 2nd Oct, so we can finalize catering etc. As I will be away for 10 days from 5th Oct. any enquiries after that please contact John Dunthorne on 0437 515 144. Don't forget to bring your own glasses to save us a little bit of washing up. Again thanks for your great support.

GOOLWA SECONDARY COLLEGE will be having French exchange students for 12 weeks in mid-term next year. If we have any one from our parish interested to billet them over that time it would be of great assistance. Please ring Belinda Smith at the College on 7505 4027 for further information.

V.H. CHRISTIAN WOMENS FELLOWSHIP FUNDRAISER DINNER.

To be held on 3rd Oct at Church of Christ Hall at V.H. with a 6 pm start. Guest speaker Zahna Manley a chaplain at VH High, and local youth group leader. The menu is a choice of tasty hot meals with crusty bread followed by a delicious desert. A \$20 donation would be greatly appreciated to support this vital work. To book phone Betty on 0413 947 218.

BIOCHAR EVENT SATURDAY OCTOBER 12TH

As part of our Season of Creation Mark and Vicki are inviting us to visit their sustainable farm and take part in the production of biochar.

What is biochar? Organic materials, such as wood chips, leaf litter or dead plants, are burned in a container with very little oxygen. The energy or heat created during this special way of burning can be captured and used as a form of clean energy. Biochar enriches the soil.

Leaving St Joan's car park at 9.30am

Let Fran Hanna know if you would like to come on 0415 124 010.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

to our recycling team at St John's - Lennie, Anne Fawkner, Marie Ryan, John Dunthorne, Joy, Lynne and Dave, Vivi, Chrisso and Marilyn. We collect the devotional candles from church and then all aluminium and bottles and cans from home. From our collection over the past six months, we have raised \$19. Thanks everyone for your kind efforts in caring for our Common Home. Our environment and for the little financial contribution toward our brothers and sisters in Comoro. *Rosemary*

THIS WEEK: 28th & 29th September

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: C. Huppertz

R.1 C. Sutherland
R.2 B. Bullen

EMHC J. Jeffery

Sunday 11am

Commentator: R. Klecko

R. 1 L. Sunman
R. 2 P. O'Brien

EMHC F. Hanna

GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: P. Kennelly

R. 1 M. Mulvihill
R. 2 R. Lee

EMHC S. Muller



NEXT WEEK: 5th & 6th October

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: T. White

R.1 M. Mulvihill
R.2 L. Blacket

EMHC J. Jeffery

Sunday 11am

Commentator: T. Hounslow

R. 1 L. Sunman
R. 2 W. Baker

EMHC M. Taylor

GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: Joe Ryan

R. 1 A. Fawkner
R. 2 V. Scriva

EMHC Marie Ryan

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA PARISH

NGARRINDJERI and
RAMINDJERI land

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• PARISH NEWSLETTER

Please forward items for the newsletter to the Parish Office - 8552 1084,
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(All items for the newsletter by Wednesday evening)

• PARISH TREASURER

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

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

DID YOU KNOW?

- In the final line of this gospel, Jesus is quoting from Isaiah about the fate of those who rebel against God: 'their worm shall not die, their fire shall not be quenched' (*Is 66:24*).
- Hell is the English word used to translate the Hebrew Sheol or Gehenna or the Greek Hades. The idea of a particular place of punishment by fire in the afterlife developed quite late in Hebrew thought—about the third century BC.

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But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us.

'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.

'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

UNAUTHORISED GOODNESS

John spoke up, "Teacher, we saw a man using your name to expel demons and we stopped him because he wasn't in our group." Jesus wasn't pleased "Don't stop him. No one can use my name to do something good and powerful, and in the next breath cut me down. If he's not an enemy, he's an ally. Why, anyone by just giving you a cup of water in my name is on our side. Count on it that God will notice." (Mark 9:38-41)

Like the good citizens around Moses, the disciples around Jesus are jealous for the copyright to goodness. Anyone who teaches the ignorant, heals the sick, or feeds the poor without joining their Master's guild has got to be from the devil. Obviously it escapes the disciples that this is precisely the charge that's been levelled at Jesus by the religious leaders of the Temple. Righteousness is private property. Unauthorised goodness is strictly forbidden.

It may be natural to feel a twinge when, say, the Hare Krishnas open a soup kitchen in our parish, beating up the good witness. We feel embarrassed

that it's come to this. But right is right, not matter what the source is. The proper response is to praise God, grow in humility, and persevere in our own attempt to support the cause of righteousness.

FRIEND OR FOE?

Blanche and her friends had been in charge of the Mothers' Club at their parish for years. They'd hosted lots of events, raised a lot of money for the religious education program, and had a lot of fun. Lately, though, it seemed the younger mothers were not getting involved, and a good amount of their meeting was spent griping that the same old people were doing all the work.

Then a new family moved into the neighbourhood and Cindy, the wife, had a lot of ideas. A few women in her local area got caught up in her enthusiasm and soon they planned a few events for parents and their children. They made one tactical mistake, however. They didn't get the approval of the Mother's Club first.

What made things worse was that when the day of the first event came, the event was a huge success. Blanche and her friends were livid. They went to the pastor to complain. He kindly asked why they were so upset. He helped them realise the newcomer was only trying to do her part to help the community and he made a plan to invite both groups to lunch at the parish house to share some parish history, exchange new ideas, and get to know each other. As Jesus says, "Whoever is not against us is for us.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(September 30 - October 06)

- **Monday, 30:** St Jerome (Job 1:6-22; Lk 9:46-50)
- **Tuesday, 01:** St Thérèse of the Child Jesus (Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Lk 9:51-56)
- **Wednesday, 02:** The Holy Guardian Angels (Ex 23:20-23; Mt 18:1-5,10)
- **Thursday, 03:** Weekday, Ord Time 26 (Job 19:21-27; Lk 10:1-12)
- **Friday, 04:** St Francis of Assisi (Job 38:1, 12-21, 40:3-5; Lk 10:13-16)
- **Saturday, 05:** Weekday, Ord Time 26 (Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Lk 10:17-24)
- **Sunday 06:** 27 Sunday in Ord Time (Gen 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16)

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.