



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

**FOURTH SUNDAY
of EASTER - 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

Acts 2:14, 36-41

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd with a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.'

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 22:1-6

*The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.*

SECOND READING

1 Peter 2:20-25

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty.

This, in fact, is what you were called

to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and mine know me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 10:1-10

Jesus said:

'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.'

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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 & Patrine Harris, Neil Cumming, Clancy Retallick, Ann Hannagan, Mollie Davis, Jutta Millar, Cath Howard, Keith Fawcner, Trudi McNamara, Elizabeth Nance, Allen Odgers, Jan Henderson.

ANNIVERSARIES

Joan Kelly

RECENTLY DECEASED

Vin Slattery, Gerard McGrath

PARISH COLLECTION

22nd & 23rd April

1st (Presbytery) \$ 772. 50
2nd (Parish) \$1197.25

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

5th & 12th May

M. Farmer & C. Pearsons

19th & 26th May

W. & J. Baker & F. Hanna

VICTOR MORNING TEA

30th April

F. Hanna & M. Cunningham

7th May

L. Sunman & P. Chigwidden

VICTOR MEET & GREET

May Saturdays

M. Farmer & H. Anderson

May Sundays

L. Sunman & F. Harris

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

May

P. Kennelly

Morning Tea

A. Turner, L. Clayson, M. Burfitt

G. Kennedy.

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice time 2pm Wednesday

Call Claire Williams 0429 008 199

HOLY FATHER'S 2023 PRAYER INTENTIONS

For a culture of peace and non violence: We pray for the spread of peace and non violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by states and citizens.



**GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY
WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR
VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND
RELIGIOUS LIFE**



We pray for Father Vinh that he will find joy and hope in his ministry in our Victor/Goolwa parish.

Thank you, Father, for answering God's call to

become a priest. And for your faithfulness over many years. May your approaching visit to your family in Vietnam be refreshing and renewing.

SAINT JOSEPH the WORKER

Feast Day 1st May

"May Day" has long been dedicated to labour



and the working man. It falls on the first day of the month that is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Pope Pius XII

expressed the hope that this feast would accentuate the dignity of labour and would bring a spiritual dimension to labour unions. It is eminently fitting that St. Joseph, a working man who became the foster-father of Christ and patron of the universal Church, should be honoured on this day. - *Catholic Culture*

**St. Joseph
protector of the Holy Family,
we come to you in our need.
Joseph bless all who work
and all those who are seeking
employment.**

ALUMINIUM COLLECTION



It is amazing to see the response for the aluminium recycling. Thank you so much

everyone. I know you can just place it in your yellow bin but as we sort it all into separate types of aluminium we are doing a little more to support the overall recycling process! And earn a little bit toward Comoro! *Rosemary.*

**GOOLWA COMMUNITY NEWS
GARDEN DAY**



This coming Tuesday May 2nd from 9.30am till 11.30 am. All help would be much appreciated.

KSC BBQ . The monthly BBQ will be held next Sunday May 7th after 9 am Mass.

THANK YOU LOUDY. The Knights would like to thank this special lady who has donated serviettes and plates to our BBQ. Loudy is a very generous person and often donates items like Easter eggs and other gifts to St. John's.

45 CLUB . New series just opening. Please see Robert Lee to renew your membership.

MOTHERS' DAY WINE RAFFLE

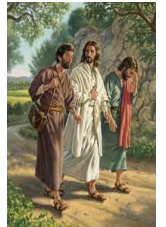


A dozen quality wines plus a bonus gift in each of the raffles both at Goolwa and Victor.

Mike O'Halloran is the man to see at Goolwa and Des Wallace at Victor Harbor. We look forward to your usual support which we greatly value.

EMMAUS ROAD

A stranger joins us on the road
The road where we share our disappointment,
Hopes dashed, dreams destroyed
Sadness, confusion and despair.



He listens as we share our grief
Takes time to offer consoling,
teaching.

He restores our hope, enlivens our dreams
His words seem too good to be true.

Then as day ends and we arrive home,
he intends to leave but we urge him to stay,
invite him in since darkness will soon descend.
Meal prepared we watch in wonder

Those nail pierced hands, our guest's,
Break bread for us again
And suddenly we see, we realise
It is Christ who has accompanied us on the road.

We return in haste to our faith community.
Now his absent presence brings the energy we need.

Faith is rekindled, joy restored.

The risen one is alive and is ever with us.

Di Shearer, Easter 2023

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Yr. A

***The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.***

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where He gives me repose.
Near restful waters He leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.

He guides me along the right path;
He is true to His name
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort.

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow
me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever.



WORLD PRESS FREEDOM DAY May 3rd



We pray that *World Press Freedom Day* with its theme, "*Shaping a World of Rights*", will inspire reporters and writers to be dedicated to the truth, affirming the rights which belong to all people. We pray for the safety of reporters and photographers who work in dangerous situations

PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE



CALL TO PRAYER FOR THE WORLD- WIDE SYNOD (MEETING OF BISHOPS)

Pope Francis has invited all Christian Churches to pray together for the Worldwide Synod of Bishops in October. He has invited the Taizé Community, a community composed of members from many Christian Churches, to conduct a special ecumenical service just before the Synod. ***We have sent in our hopes and dreams for the Church through our Diocesan and Plenary Councils. Now it is time for prayer.***



OUR RESPONSE

As a part of coming together with others throughout the world to show our support, we are offering a time of prayer. This will then be entered onto a worldwide site to show our solidarity.

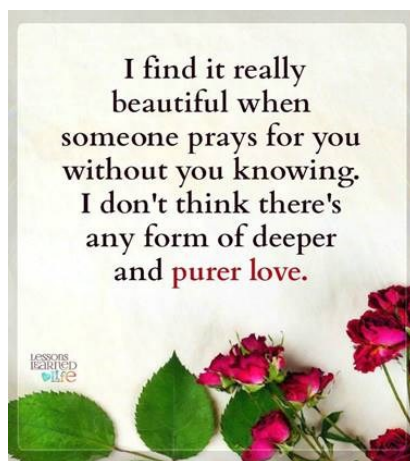
Victor Harbor and Goolwa parishioners are invited to join together at St John's Goolwa after Mass, with a brief Taizé prayer.

CHURCH: St John's
DATE: First prayer gathering:
Wednesday 17th May

TIME: 10am
Further prayer gatherings
every 4th Wednesday - June, July, August,
September at 10am.

PRAYER for OTHERS

(Intercessory Prayer)
Intercessory prayer is prayer for the needs of others. Intercessory prayer reflects God's own character of outgoing love and mercy. God wants us to think like He does, and praying for others helps us to think beyond ourselves and to grow in compassion for others. ***Who can I pray for today?***



THIS WEEK 29th & 30th April VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: J. Ryan
R.1 B. Bullen
R.2 M. Mulvihill
EMHC E. O'Shaughnessy
Sunday 11am

Commentator: F. Hanna
R. 1 A. Williss
R. 2 R. Klecko
EMHC M. Taylor

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: Marie Riddle
R. 1 R. Lee
R. 2 Michael Riddle
EMHC M. Glazewski



NEXT WEEK 6th & 7th May VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy
R.1 C. Huppertz
R.2 C. Sutherland
EMHC J. Jeffery
Sunday 11am

Commentator: T. Hounslow
R. 1 A. Rose
R. 2 L. Sunman
EMHC P. Clingan

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: P. Kennelly
R. 1 L. Healey
R. 2 V. Scriver
EMHC A. Turner

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RAMINDJERI land

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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 - 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 27/04/23)

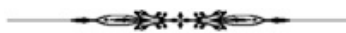
- If you have tested positive for COVID-19, please stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home.
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances.
- Communion is given only in hands. Precious Blood will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

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Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again:

‘I tell you most solemnly, I am the gate of the sheepfold. All others who have come are thieves and brigands; but the sheep took no notice of them. I am the gate. Anyone who enters through me will be safe: he will go freely in and out and be sure of finding pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full.’



**TAKE JESUS FOR
A TEST DRIVE**

Adam looked with glee at his first big commission cheque from his interior design company. He decided to buy a Porsche. As he strolled around the car showroom looking at \$100,000-plus sports cars, he couldn't find the colour he wanted - lapis blue metallic. The salesman said not to worry, that they could order it and directed him to the model Adam has his eye on. "How 'bout we go for a test drive?" the salesman suggested.

Adam got in the driver's seat and spend a moment soaking up the luxury. He turned on the radio and the knob came off. "Oh," the salesman said, "it's just the test car". Adam nodded and opened the window. It got stuck halfway down. As he was pulling out onto the road, the gear shift locked. Adam shot a fiery look at the salesman and said: "Excuse me! But I am not having a Porsche experience".

Oh, what any of us would give for that elusive experience - the one where we're finally enjoying all the comforts we feel we deserve. But, the truth is, we're never going to get there in a car, not even a lapis blue metallic Porsche. The only way to reach green pastures is through Jesus. At least that's what Christians believe. If we take up our crosses and follow him, Jesus promises us a life more abundant than we could ever imagine. *GPBS eNews*

ENTER THROUGH ME

Sitting on a plane earlier in the year on my way to the United States, I listened to the flight attendant reviewing the usual procedures for emergency exists, something all of us hope we don't have to make. She was pointing out the doors, the

floor lights, the floatation devices and all those instructions that frequent fliers have heard countless times. I tried to imagine myself remembering all these details in a crisis and doubted that I could. Pull WHAT cord? Move in WHICH direction? Even in the best of times, my sense of direction is terrible.

How wonderful that, in that most significant sense of the word, we do not have to make our way to safety on our own. Jesus is the gate, the gatekeeper, and the shepherd. Our only task is to listen for the voice of the Beloved, and to follow where it leads. No harm can come to the one who lives this simple rule. The alternative is, of course, to try to hold all the details in our finite and imperfect hands. *GPBS eNews*



What's the difference between something we need and something we want? A want is something that would be nice to have, like a new bike or ice cream. A need is something we can't live without, like water, healthy food or shelter. Sometimes we get wants and needs mixed up. Or we forget that many people on our planet don't have basic things that everyone needs, like clean water, good food or safe homes. God gives us all that we need. But if we have more than that, God calls us to share it to help others.

God living among us, help us see how we can be a blessing to someone in need. Amen.



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(01 - 07 May)

- **Monday, 01:** Monday 4th week Easter (Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:11-18)
- **Tuesday, 02:** St Athanasius Easter (Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30)
- **Wednesday, 03:** Sts Philip and James (1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14)
- **Thursday, 04:** Thursday 4th week Easter (Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20)
- **Friday, 05:** Friday 4th week Easter (Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6)
- **Saturday, 06:** Saturday 4th week Easter (Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14)
- **Sunday 07:** Fifth Sunday of Easter (Acts 6:1-7, 1 Pet 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12)

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.