



Welcome to Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD - YEAR C

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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 must be received no later than Wednesday evening)

• PARISH TREASURER

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MASS CENTRES AND TIMES

• ST JOAN OF ARC

30 Seaview Road, Victor Harbor

MASS TIMES

Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday 11.00am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 11.00am - 11.30am

Saturday 5.30pm - 5.50pm

• ST JOHN THE APOSTLE

10-14 Gardiner Street, Goolwa

MASS TIMES

Sunday 9.00am

RECONCILIATION

Sunday 8.30am - 8.50am

CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159
Ian Reid (Victor Harbor - 8552 4329)
Cathy May (Goolwa - 0401 584 237)

FIRST READING

Acts 1:1-11

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom of Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 46:2-3, 6-7, 8-9

God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:17-23

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full



knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named not only in this age but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 28:19, 20

Alleluia, alleluia!

Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

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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, Father John Langtry, John Wallace, Adrian and Margaret Langtry, Michelle L, Brian Smallacombe, Bailey Smallacombe, Margie Lloyd, Russell Crichton.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Sr. Cathryn Vowles OP

PARISH COLLECTION 25th & 26th May

1st (Presbytery)	\$1,009.20
2nd (Parish)	\$1,307.05

VICTOR MORNING TEA 2nd & 9th June

J. & W. Baker
16th & 23rd June
I. & R. Reid

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER 1st & 8th June

M. Von Holst, R. Kuske
15th & 22nd June
M. Farmer, C. Pearsons

VICTOR MEET & GREET

June Saturdays
M. Farmer, V. Wyld

June Sundays
D. Taylor, F. Harris

ST JOAN'S CHOIR :
Practice time is 10.30am each Friday

GOOLWA MORNING TEA June

A. Turner, H. Taylor, A. Russell, Gina

GOOLWA MEET & GREET June S. & R. Lee

ST JOHN'S CHOIR:
Practice Tuesdays 2.30pm .
Contact Athalea 0438 552 048

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2019 PRAYER INTENTIONS: JUNE Evangelisation:

The Mode of Life of Priests That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are most poor.



EXPLORING THE GOSPEL WITH LECTIO DIVINA

Is held each Sunday night at 6pm in the Annex.

CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

We meet for Lectio Divina (Scripture Reflection) and meditation on Monday afternoons at 4.30 for 2019. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Anne Weygood for details. 0429 653 844.

TAIZE PRAYER GROUP GOOLWA

This is held on the third Wednesday of each month at 10.15am after Mass. Morning tea will follow the service. Next date: Wednesday 19th June.

PASTORAL CARE GROUP V.H. will hold their next meeting on 8th June in the annex at 4.30pm. All welcome

ST JOHN'S SOCIAL CLUB

St. John's winter warmer for 2019 will be held on Sunday

16th June at Church hall from 12.30pm. A

3 course luncheon with BYO drinks. A

great chance to share a lovely warm meal with fellow parishioners and of course, if you have friends who may be interested, they will be most welcome.

Cost \$25.00 per head which includes a free raffle ticket. Bookings Paul 0402 852 825 (Wed. only or evenings till 8.30pm).



ST JOAN'S MAINTENANCE GROUP

will hold their next meeting on Wednesday 12th June at 9.30 -10.30am followed by morning tea. All men welcome



ST JOAN'S FRIENDSHIP CLUB Scrabble afternoons are held every Tuesday from 1.30pm - 4pm (**except 2nd Tuesday every month**) in the Annex.

ENGAGING WITH THE GOSPEL

Three sessions reflecting on the Sunday Gospels

With Fr Michael Trainor (Adelaide campus, Australian Catholic Uni)

Wednesdays 5, 12 and 19 June
1.30pm - 3.00pm

Galilee Community Room

(Cnr How & Quinliven Rds, ALDINGA)

To RSVP or for more information please contact: Sr Margaret Ann (0488 287 552)

ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

Next meeting: Wednesday 12th June after the 9.30am Mass at Goolwa. New members welcome.

GOOLWA INTER CHURCH REPORT

1. Wooden boat festival. Thank you to our parishioners Chris & Rosemary for their work on the stall to raise funds for School Chaplaincy. The stall raised \$130.

2. Sunrise Easter service. Another success with about 80 people attending.

3. Biggest morning tea 2019. This event was a great success and raised \$1500 for Cancer research.

4. Movie night to raise money for School Chaplaincy on the South Coast. This event will be held at the Victor Cinemas on Thursday 20th June at 6 pm. The film is **Toy Story 4**, with tickets at \$15 each, includes lucky door prize drawn on the night. Tickets can be purchased at Goolwa Primary School front office.

5. "Messy Church" A new concept aimed to bring people who cannot relate to traditional Church services to have open discussions about faith and life. It is open to all ages. This will be an agenda item at our Pastoral Council meeting.

6. I am still looking for another community member to come to inter-church meetings with me. Paul Kennelly

Understanding Loss and Grief.

A 2 hour session for those who have experienced crisis situations in grief in their lives as well as those helping people to overcome loss of a loved one. The course hopes to help people in their recovery to have a healthy and happy result.

Venue: Goolwa Uniting Church

Time and date: 9.30am till noon 15th June
Gold coin donation.

Please register by 8th June 8555 2589.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM FOR FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

God mounts His throne to shouts of joy; a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

All peoples, clap your hands,
cry to God with shouts of joy!
For the Lord, the Most High,
we must fear,
great King over all the earth.

God goes up with shouts of joy;
the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.
Sing praise for God, sing praise,
sing praise to our King, sing praise.

God is King of all the earth
Sing praise with all your skill.
God is King over the nations;
God reigns on His holy throne.

God mounts His throne to shouts of joy; a blare of trumpets for the Lord.



WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY JUNE 5th

Pope Francis says in Laudato Si

"There is nobility in the duty to care for creation through little daily actions."

These small actions *"when done for the right reasons, can be an act of love..."*

One step we can take as a parish is to use our resources carefully. We hope you can do this at home.

Two practical actions agreed on at the PPC meeting were:

Turn off lights we don't really need.

Turn off electrical and gas heaters during the Sign of Peace.
(Volunteers needed)

RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE

Our Retreat has come to an end. It has been a time of grace, not always easy but worthwhile, Thank you all for your prayers.



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Forty days from the day He rose from the grave, Jesus ascended into heaven. Here is how Luke described the event:

"Therefore, when they [the disciples and the risen Christ] had come together, they asked Him saying, 'Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?' And He said to them, 'It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and to the end of the earth. Now when he had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up and a cloud received Him out of their sight...' (Acts 1: 4-9, New King James Version).



ST BONIFACE

Feast Day June 5th (675 - 754)

Boniface, known as the apostle of the Germans, was an English Benedictine monk who gave up being elected abbot to devote his life to the conversion of the

Germanic tribes. During a final mission, Boniface and 53 companions were massacred while he was preparing converts for confirmation. Boniface bears out the Christian rule: To follow Christ is to follow the way of the cross. But for Boniface, it was not only physical suffering or death, but **the painful, thankless, bewildering task of Church reform.**

We pray to him at this time of Church reform in Australia. *Franciscan Media*



VINNIES WINE RAFFLE WINNER

Marie Riddle is the lucky winner. Thank you to all who supported this and the Envelope collection (which is still open).

ST VINCENT de PAUL WINTER APPEAL COLLECTION ENVELOPES ARE ON THE PEWS. Thank you for your generosity

PARISH CENSUS

Thank you to Pat Clingan who has updated our census. Please fill in the blue Census form and return to the Parish office ASAP.

This Week : 1st & 2nd June

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 C. Sutherland

R.2 R. Walsh

E.M. E. O'Shaughnessy, R. Kuske

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : R. Klecko

R.1. P. Chigwidden

R.2 V. Coffey

E.M P. Clingan, P. O'Brien, J. Baker, V. Salmon, K. Howard

GOOLWA Sunday 9am

Commentator: Marie Riddle

R1 R. Lee

R2 Michael Riddle

E.M. C. Williams, A. Turner, M. O'Halloran, B. Longworth, J. McInnes



Next Week : 8th & 9th June

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: W. Baker

R.1 M. Farmer

R.2 B. Bullen

E.M. J. Baker P. Harris

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator : K. Howard

R.1. R. Klecko

R.2 T. Hounslow

E.M P. Clingan, A. Weygood, L. Sunman, P. O'Brien, M. Ferguson

GOOLWA Sunday 9am

Commentator: P. Kennelly

R1 J. McMahon

R2 D. McMahon

E.M. L. Healey, T. Siciliano, A. Fawcner, K. Fawcner, S. Muller.

REGULAR MASS TIMES IN OUR CLUSTER CHURCHES

ALDINGA

Mary of Galilee, the First Disciple
cnr Quinliven and How Roads
Saturday 5.30pm
Tuesday 9.15am

GOOLWA

St John the Apostle, 10-14 Gardiner St
Sunday 9.00am
Wednesday 9.30am

KINGSCOTE

Our Lady of Perpetual Help,
cnr Todd and Giles Streets
Sunday 9.30am

NOARLUNGA

St Luke, the Evangelist,
cnr Honeypot Rd and Goldsmith Dve
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am
1st Sunday 11am (Spanish Mass)
2nd Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass)
Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm
Monday 9.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Wednesday 7.30pm
Thursday 8.15am (St Luke's)
Thursday 9.15am (St John's - term time)
Friday 10.00am

NORMANVILLE

St Peter, Cape Jervis Road
1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 10.30am
2nd, 4th Sundays 8.30am
1st Friday 6.00pm

PARNDANA

2nd Sunday 2.30pm

PENNESHAW

St Columba, North Terrace
(shared with Anglicans)
1st Sunday 2.00pm

SEAFORD

Seaford Ecumenical Mission,
Grand Bvd
Sunday 10.45am
Wednesday 9.00am

VICTOR HARBOR

St Joan of Arc, 30 Seaview Road
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 11.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am
Friday 9.00am
1st Friday Benediction following Mass

WILLUNGA

St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street
1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 8.30am
2nd, 4th Sundays 10.30am
Wednesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am
Friday 9.00am

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GOSPEL

Luke 24:46-53

Jesus said to his disciples, 'You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.

'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high.'

Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.

DID YOU KNOW?

- The Gospel of Luke opens with Zechariah praying in the temple and closes with the disciples praying in the temple. The temple plays a critical role in Luke's account of the public life of Jesus.
- While the fact of Jesus' ascension to the Father is mentioned several times in the New Testament (Mark 16:19; John 6:62; John 20:17; Ephesians 4:8-10), only Luke describes the event itself, both in his gospel and in the Acts of the Apostles.
- Bethany is a small town not far from Jerusalem, just over the Mount of Olives. It was the home town of Mary, Martha and Lazarus.
- The nine days between the ascension and Pentecost that the disciples spent in praying together gave rise to the 'novena', a devotional practice of praying in a particularly focused way for a special intention over nine consecutive days.

SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

Luke's Gospel is sometimes known as 'the gospel of joy'. Joyfulness and rejoicing are constant motifs and familiar reactions to the revelation of

Jesus as the Christ. The extent to which we live in union with Christ allows us to participate already in the joy of heaven that is promised to us.

EXPLORING THE WORD

The reaction of the disciples to the absence of Jesus after his ascension is in stark contrast to the reaction they had to him leaving at his death. After his death on the cross, they shut themselves into the upper room in fear. Now they worship him and go joyfully rejoicing to the temple. Clearly now they have not lost the sense of his presence with them. Something has changed. His return to God opens the way to glory for all who believe, and this is the source of their joy. He is beyond their sight but truly with them, and he has repeated again his promise to send the help they will need to undertake their mission into the world. These final verses of Luke's Gospel introduce what will become the story of his second volume, the Acts of the Apostles: 'repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.' Acts tells the story of the Gospel being taken out to all the nations, a story that continues to this day.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(03 - 09 June)

- **Monday, 03:** Charles Lwanga & companions (Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33)
- **Tuesday, 04:** Tuesday, 7th week of Easter (Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11)
- **Wednesday, 05:** St Boniface (Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11-19)
- **Thursday, 06:** Thursday, 7th week of Easter (Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26)
- **Friday, 07:** Friday, 7th week of Easter (Acts 25:13-21; Jn 21:15-19)
- **Saturday, 08:** Saturday, 7th week of Easter (Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25)
- **Sunday 26:** PENTECOST SUNDAY (Acts 2:1-11; Rom 8:8-17; Jn 14:15-16, 23-26)

PASTORAL CARE

If you (or someone you know) is house-bound, in hospital or in residential care and would appreciate a visit from a Priest or someone from the Parish, please let us know.

Contact: Noarlunga/Seaford (8382 1717), Willunga (0488 287 552), Victor Harbor/Goolwa (8552 1084), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).