



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

PENTECOST Year B

*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

Acts 2:1-11

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and some-thing appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in

our own language about the marvels of God.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34

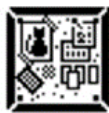
*Lord, send out your Spirit,
and renew the face of the earth.*

SECOND READING

Galatians 5:16-25

If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you. When self-indulgence is at work the results are obvious: fornication, gross indecency and sexual irresponsibility; idolatry and sorcery; feuds and wrangling, jealousy, bad temper and quarrels; disagreements, factions, envy; drunkenness, orgies and similar things. I warn you now, as I warned you before: those who behave like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. What the Spirit brings is very different: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-

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SPECIAL INTENTIONS (These names will be removed after one month. To keep names on this list please contact Parish Office)

Barbara Bond, John Wallace, Brian Smallacombe, Bailey Smallacombe, Russell Crichton, Bill Longworth, Mark & Lola Kelly, Barry Wilks, Josephine Proctor, Peter Harris, Charlie Nicolson, Bette Higgins, Paula Collinson, Jen Jeffery, June Lloyd, Claire Hamish, Ann Tee, Emily Slattery, Shona Edwards, Margaret Langtry

ANNIVERSARIES

Frances Mysior

PARISH COLLECTION 15th & 16th May

Presbytery (1st) \$ 884.15
Parish (2nd) \$ 980.25

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

28th May - 4th June

M. Farmer & C. Pearson

VICTOR MORNING TEA

23rd May

M. Cunningham & J. Andrews

30th May

P. Clingan & T. Hounslow

VICTOR MEET & GREET

May Saturdays

M. Farmer, M. Taylor

May Sundays

L. Sunman, F. Harris

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

May

Paul Kennelly

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice time 2.00pm Wednesday.

Call Claire Williams 0429 008 199.

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2021 PRAYER INTENTIONS:



MAY: Universal Intention— The world of finance

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with Governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

EXPLORING THE GOSPEL WITH LECTIO DIVINA

is held each Sunday night at 5pm in the Annex.

CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

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

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY Group meets fortnightly on Mondays 2-4pm. 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*

55TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



Our congratulations and very best wishes to

Richard and Rosene Edwards who were married in

St Joan of Arc Church by

Father O'Rourke on 14th May 1966, 55 years ago. Richard's sister, Irene, was also married there in the previous year.

BOOK SALE RETURN



The Vinnies' book sales table is up and running again in the Annex – grab a good read for winter evenings and drop a donation in the tin! Thank you for your kind support.

MEMORIAL GARDENS

The Memorial Gardens at both churches are administered from our Parish Office in Victor Harbor. Please contact our Parish Managers for details. We wish to thank Peter Sullivan, Tony Siciliano and Michael McBride for their ongoing dedication to the upkeep of our two gardens.

PENTECOST



Pentecost (Whitsunday), with Christmas and Easter, ranks among the great feasts of Christianity. It commemorates not only the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and Disciples, but also the fruits and effects of that event:

the completion of the work of redemption, the fullness of grace for the Church and its children, and the gift of faith for all nations.

Catholic Culture

WHAT GIFT WILL YOU ASK FROM THE HOLY SPIRIT THIS PENTECOST? WISDOM

The gift of knowing what is really important in our lives.

UNDERSTANDING

The ability to grasp the meaning of Jesus' message. It helps us to be tolerant and sympathetic to others.

COUNSEL

The gift of good judgment that helps us make the right choices to live as a faithful follower of Jesus.

KNOWLEDGE

The gift that helps us to know the right path that will lead us to God.

FORTITUDE

The gift of courage that helps us stand up for what we believe.

PIETY

The gift of confidence in God as a son or daughter. This gift inspires us to joyfully want to serve God and others.

FEAR OF THE LORD

The gift of wonder and respect helps us to love God and not want to be separated from God



RECOMMITMENT TO THE PLENARY COUNCIL



Sunday 23rd May is the Feast of Pentecost.

We are invited at this time to refresh our commitment to the Fifth Plenary

Council of Australia. **Pentecost 2021 marks the third anniversary of the beginning of this journey of faith for the people of Australia.** Due to COVID-19, the first Plenary Council assembly has been moved to October 2021, and will now be conducted in a multi-modal format across Australia, combining online and face-to-face aspects, with the second assembly being held July 2022 in Sydney.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM PENTECOST SUNDAY, YR. B

*Lord, send out Your Spirit,
and renew the face of the earth.*

Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord God, how great You are!
How many are Your works, O Lord!
The earth is full of Your riches.

You take back Your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they
came.
You send forth Your spirit, they are
created;
and You renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in His works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to Him.
I find my joy in the Lord.



MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PATRONESS OF AUSTRALIA AND OF THE MILITARY ORDINARIATE** 24th MAY



Almighty God, deepen in
our hearts our love of
Mary, Help of Christians.
Through her prayers and
under her protection may
the light of Christ shine
over our land.

**May Australia be
granted harmony, justice and peace.
Grant wisdom to our leaders and
integrity to our citizens.**

Mary Help of Christians, pray for us.

***The Military Ordinariate is the Catholic
Diocese of the Australian Defence Force
which covers all of Australia and its 30
Defence bases and any Australian military*

APPEAL AFTER CYCLONE

**Cyclone Seroja has inflicted major
damage on a number of churches,
presbyteries, school buildings and
other premises of the Diocese of
Geraldton.** Enormous damage was also
done to many farms, businesses and
homes within those communities and
across the farming areas. **The diocese is
seeking the support of other Catholics
to help rebuild these communities.** For
more information and to make a donation,
please visit www.geraldtondiocese.org.au

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2021



Reconciliation 2021,
urges the reconciliation
movement towards
braver and more
impactful action.

Reconciliation is a
journey for all Australians – as individuals,
families, communities, organisations and
importantly as a nation.

SAINT PAUL VI, Pope

Feast Day 29th May (1897 – 1978)

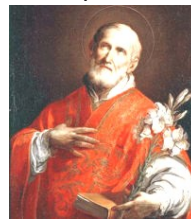


Giovanni Battista Montini
was born on September 26,
1897, in a village near Bre-
scia Concesio. On May 29,
1920, he was named Arch-
bishop of Milan. He became
Pope on June 21, 1963. He presided over the
completion of the Second Vatican Council. He
died On August 6, 1978. – *Catholic Culture*

SAINT PHILIP NERI

Feast Day 26th May (1515 - 1595)

St. Philip Neri was born in
Florence and lived a spot-
less childhood in Florence.
Later he went to Rome and
after living for fifteen years
as a pilgrim and hermit
was ordained a priest. He
gradually gathered around him a group of
priests and established the Congregation of
the Oratory. He was a man of original
character and of a happy, genial and winning
disposition. A great educator of youth, he
spent whole nights in prayer, had a great de-
votion to the Blessed Sacrament. He died on
the feast of Corpus Christi. – *Catholic Culture*



THE RIVER HAS IT!!!



*A minister was completing a
temperance sermon. With
great emphasis he said: "If I
had **all the beer** in the world,
I'd take it and pour it into the
river." With even greater
emphasis he said, "And if I had **all the wine** in
the world, I'd take it and pour it into the river.
And then finally shaking his fist in the air he
said. "And if I had **all the whiskey** in the world,
I'd take it and pour it in to the river." Sermon
complete, he sat down. The song leader
stood up very cautiously and announced
solemnly: "For our closing song let us sing the
hymn '**We shall gather at the river**'.*

This Week : 22nd & 23rd May

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: F. Hanna

R.1 M. Farmer

R.2 L. Blacket

E.M. E. O'Shaughnessy

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator: P. O'Brien

R.1 L. Sunman

R.2 A. Rose

E.M. J. Baker

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: D. Huppatz

R1 L. Healey

R2 M. O'Halloran

E.M. T. Siciliano



Next Week : 29th & 30th May

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 M. Farmer

R.2 L. Blacket

E.M. S. Duong

VICTOR HARBOR 11.00am

Commentator: P. O'Brien

R.1 W. Baker

R.2 J. Tregeagle

E.M. M. Cunningham

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: Marie Riddle

R1 R. Lee

R2 Michael Riddle

E.M. M. Glazewski

COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

(May 2021)

Different rules apply for Churches with fixed or non-fixed seating. Please check with your Church for details on how seating will be handled.

- For fixed seating 100% of available seats may be used, provided 100% of attendees wear masks. If 75% of seats are used, masks are not necessary.
- The non-fixed seating capacity is worked on 3:4sqm. No masks are required for this density. Masks are essential for anything more than the capped density.
- Singing as a congregation may recommence, provided masks are worn.
- Every gathering must record contact details - either with the QR code for smart phones, or the handwritten log - both located at the entrance to the Church.
- The obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage.

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Web: www.victorgoolwacatholic.org.au

PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

• PARISH PRIEST

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• PARISH MANAGERS

Mr Ray Klecko (0438 364 870)
Mrs Pat Clingan (0410 593 617)
Email: Parish_manager@bigpond.com

• 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

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 (Parish Office 8552 1084)

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

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control. There can be no law against things like that, of course. You cannot belong to Christ Jesus unless you crucify all self-indulgent passions and desires.

Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 15:26-27, 16:12-15

Jesus said to his disciples:

‘When the Advocate comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father, he will be my witness. And you too will be witnesses, because you have been with me from the outset.

‘I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now. But when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth, since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will tell you of the things to come. He will glorify me, since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said: All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.’

TAKE A DEEP BREATH

What do these things have in common: wind, water, fire, tongues, and a dove? They are all biblical metaphors for the Spirit of God - and they all fail to capture the fullness of that divine presence. Yet paradoxically, the Spirit who so eludes our definition is closest to us, is the fulfilment of Jesus' promise: "I am with you until the end". The American songbook refers to such nearness in human relationships in this tune: "It's not the pale moon that excites me / That thrills and delights me / Oh no, it's just the nearness of you". Just capitalise the Y in you. The celebrated Jesuit theologian Karl Rahner declares that the Holy Spirit is the "nearness of God". Profound.

Simple. But how difficult it is to remain aware of that nearness. We're aware of the busy, the loud, the fast in our world, but trying to be always aware of the silent, constant, life-giving nearness is like trying to be always aware of your own breathing. For most of us, it's only in moments such as when your hot water suddenly turns icy cold and leaves you gasping that you realise how much you need and desperately want that next breath.

Without that breath, we die. This is more than metaphor: it is reality. "We must will to believe in such a nearness - in the Holy Spirit," says Rahner, and this is what we celebrate today: the nearness of Christ, the nearness of God, the breath that will never be taken away, that is keeping you alive in this very instant so that you may whisper, "Thank you".

As you go out, the Holy Spirit goes with you. The Spirit of questioning will lead us to fresh understanding. The Spirit of persistence will save us from discouragement. The Spirit of compassion will call us to caring. The Spirit of adventure will have us leave routine in the dust. The Spirit of community will give us joy as we work with others. We know the Holy Spirit goes with us. Rely on the Spirit. Amen. *GPBS eNews*

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(24 - 30 May)

- **Monday, 24:** OUR LADY, HELP of CHRISTIANS (Prov 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; James 3:13-18; Lk 1:39-56)
- **Tuesday, 25:** Weekday, Ord Time 8 (Sirach 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31)
- **Wednesday, 26:** St Philip Neri (Sirach 36:1, 4-5, 10-17; Mk 10:32-45)
- **Thursday, 27:** Weekday, Ord Time 8 (Sirach 42:15-25; Mk 10:46-52)
- **Friday, 28:** Weekday, Ord Time 8 (Sirach 44:1,9-13; Mk 11:11-26)
- **Saturday, 29:** Weekday, Ord Time 8 (Sirach 51:12-20; Mk 11:27-33)
- **Sunday 30:** The Most Holy TRINITY (Deut 4:32-34, 39-40; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20)

PASTORAL CARE

If you need a Priest for anointing of the sick or last rites contact: Noarlunga/Seaford (8382 1717), Willunga (0488 287 552), Victor Harbor/Goolwa (8552 1084), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).