



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C**

*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.

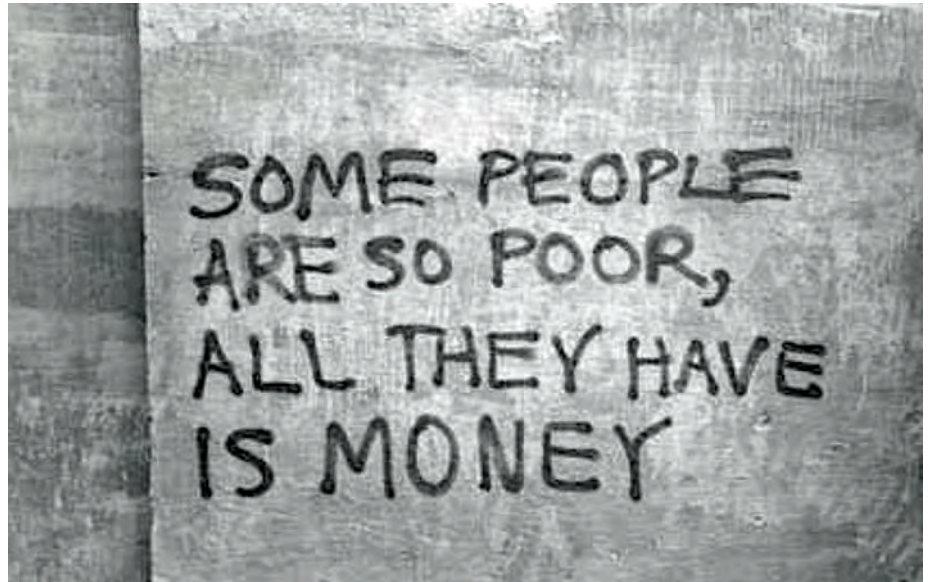
Weekdays - Tuesday, Thursday,
Friday 9.00am

• GOOLWA

Weekend - Sunday 9.00am.
Weekday - Wednesday 9.30am

RECONCILIATION

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



FIRST READING

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says.
Vanity of vanities. All is vanity!

For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

89:3-6, 12-14, 17

*In every age, O Lord,
you have been our refuge.*

1. You turn men back into dust and say: 'Go back, sons of men.' To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, no more than a watch in the night. <R>
2. You sweep men away like a dream, like grass which springs up in the morning. In the morning it springs up and flowers; by evening it withers and fades. <R>
3. Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants. <R>

4. In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. <R>

SECOND READING

Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

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

Graham Blacket, John Blacket, Paul Fahey, John Tregeagle, Betty Berry, Geoff & Rose Munro, Mark Kelly, Pat Mezzino, Tommy & Eileen McCoey, Mairead & Neil Cummings, Mary Ferguson, Pat Chigwidden, Robyn Kelly

RECENTLY DECEASED

Maureen Farmer, Brian Fitzgerald

ANNIVERSARIES

Sheila Hanna, Mollie McGee

PARISH COLLECTION 26th & 27th June

1st (Presbytery) \$650.70
2nd (Parish) \$1008.35

VICTOR MORNING TEA 3rd August

L. Sunman & P. Chigwidden
10th August
E. Dabinett & Y. Rogers

VICTOR MEET & GREET August Saturdays

C. Huppatz
August Sundays
R. Reid & L. Sunman

GOOLWA MEET & GREET August A. Turner

MORNING TEA August

T. Curtis, E. Bourne, B. Hallion

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice 3.00pm Wednesday.
Claire Williams 0429 008 199



**PRAY FOR THE
PEOPLE OF UKRAINE and
THE HOLY LAND**

HOLY FATHER'S 2025 PRAYER INTENTIONS:



FOR AUGUST: For mutual coexistence

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult, might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

HAPPY HOLIDAY FATHER VINH!

Father will leave for his well-deserved holiday in Vietnam on 5th August. Have a wonderful holiday Father and we pray that you return to us rested and in good spirits.



FEAST OF ST MARY MACKILLOP - FRIDAY - 8TH AUGUST



Mary MacKillop was an educator, a pioneer and a leader, someone who had compassion for others regardless of their situation or race.

Galvanised by her belief in the value of education as the foundation for a fulfilling life, Mary's motto was '**never see a need without doing something about it**'. This led her to minister in many different ways to those who were poor and pushed to the margins. Let us pray to her for the strength and compassion to reach out to those on the margins in our own day.

THERE ARE TWO JUBILEES IN ROME THIS WEEK

The Jubilee of Youth

and a new group that demonstrates our growing use of the internet

The Jubilee of Digital Missionaries and Catholic Influencers

We pray for our young people that their use of the internet will not bring them harm.

We pray that those who preach the love of God on the internet will be heard.



KSC FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE OPENS THIS SUNDAY 3RD AUGUST

1st Prize \$100 meal voucher.

For V.H ... Whalers Restaurant

For Goolwa ... Goolwa Hotel

2nd Prize \$50 for each parish

3rd Prize Bottle wine for each parish

Tickets \$5.00 ea or 3 for \$10

Victor parishioners please see Des Wallace.



COME AND HELP PLANT GREVILLEAS ON THE FARM - FRIDAY 15TH AUG.

Native vegetation in and around a farm dam has many benefits for water quality, farm productivity and biodiversity. ***Come along on Friday 15th August to Mark and Vicki's farm to help them plant grevilleas around their dam.***

Grevilleas can be purchased at local plant nurseries or Bunnings for about \$15.00 or arrange for Fran to buy them for you. The low growing ones are the best. Everyone is welcome whether able to help with the planting or as a supportive presence. A delicious soup meal will be provided.

We will leave St Joan's at 10.00am on Friday 15th.

Please let Fran Hanna (0415 124 010) know if you are coming by Sunday 10th August.



GOOLWA GARDEN DAY on Tues 5th August

9.30 to 11.30 am.

All enquiries to Tony or Henry please.

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DON'T FORGET YOUR GIFTS FOR OUR FOOD DRIVE WINTER IS A DIFFICULT TIME FOR FAMILIES REMEMBER - EVERY LITTLE BIT COUNTS

Baked Beans,	full cream long life milk and also
Ring top tins of Spaghetti	dairy free or almond milk.
Ring top tinned Carrots/peas/beans	tinned stewed meals
& combined carrots and peas	2 minute noodles
Rice	tea bags
Dry Spaghetti and Pasta (no lasagne please)	biscuits or snack food for children
Red Pasta Sauce or Bolognese Sauce	toothpaste and brushes
Tinned tuna, large and small sizes	deodorants
Tinned or packet soups	Toilet Rolls.
Vegemite, peanut paste or jams	Shampoo
Larger size tins of coffee (we can divide these up)	Liquid soap.
Sugar (we will also divide this into smaller packs.)	dog food tins and cat food tins.
Breakfast cereals	There is also a need for activities for children while parents are being attended to.

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK 3rd - 10th August



Over the next two weekends throughout the Church in Australia we celebrate National Vocations Awareness Week. **This weekend we acknowledge the unique call and vocation that each of us has through our Baptism.** We celebrate, affirm and pray for and

acknowledge those called to the committed Single Life, Married life and Family Life as well as all Lay Ministries within the Church. We renew our commitment to be pilgrims of hope as we journey together each day.

THIRD COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND for Students for the Priesthood.

There is a third collection next weekend to support those studying for the Priesthood in our Archdiocese. Our seminarian Godwin James is currently studying at the Holy Spirit Seminary in Brisbane. Please remember him in your prayers, as well as those preparing for the Permanent Diaconate.

MEALS FOR VISITING PRIESTS - HELP NEEDED

There have been 2 replies to the invitation asking for parishioners to invite the priests for a meal. We still need an invitation for the 16th.

Please contact Pat Clingan on 0410 593 617 if you can help.

INVITATION TO A TALK ON FAITH AND FORGIVENESS

Fr Roderick O'Brien one of our visiting priests is presenting a talk in the Annex after 11am Mass on 24th August on *Faith and Forgiveness*. It will go for an hour and a Subway sandwich will be provided for lunch with a cuppa. Please contact Pat Clingan on 0410 593 617 if you are attending.



ST JOAN'S PASTORAL CARE MEETING
Saturday 9th August at 4.30
in the Annex.

THANK YOU

Our thanks to Jean Welling who is often found in the porch at Victor welcoming latecomers. A special mission. Jean is also very generous to our worms.

THIS WEEK: 2nd & 3rd August

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: C. Huppatz

R.1 C. Sutherland
R.2 L. Blacket

EMHC A. Fawkner

Sunday 11am

Commentator: P. O'Brien

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

EMHC J. Baker

GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: D. Huppatz

R1 M. Mulvihill
R2 V. Scriva

EMHC T. Siciliano



NEXT WEEK: 9th & 10th August

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: L. Blacket

R.1 V. Cross
R.2 A. Fawkner

EMHC E. O'Shaughnessy

Sunday 11am

Commentator: F. Hanna

R. 1 T. Hounslow
R. 2 G. Ryan

EMHC A. Rose

GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: Marie Riddle

R1 P. Kennelly
R2 M. O'Halloran

EMHC A. Turner

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

NGARRINDJERI and
RAMINDJERI land

CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE

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VICTOR HARBOR SA 5211
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Web: www.victorgoolwacatholic.org.au

PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

• PARISH PRIEST

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Email: Vinh2511@bigpond.com

• PARISH MANAGER

Mrs Pat Clingan (0410 593 617)
(Monday & Thursday: 10am - 12 noon)
Email: Parish_manager@bigpond.com

• PARISH ENCOUNTER

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

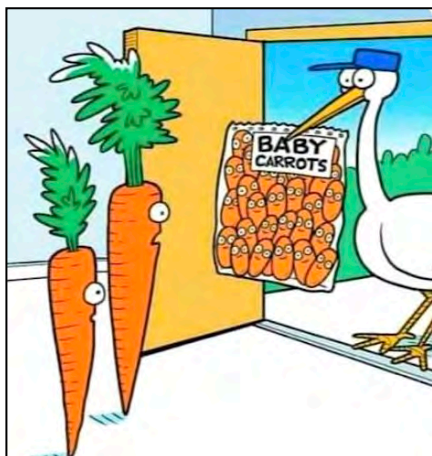
• PARISH TREASURER

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

• INTEGRITY and SAFEGUARDING

- Integrity and Safeguarding Dept (8210 8159)
- Victor Harbor/Goolwa contact: Andy Nicholls (0475 893 521)

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



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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 12:13-21

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do: I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

THE SHED

Marcus had always been a "fix-it" guy. He ran a successful small business, loved his tools, and was proud of the life he'd built. Behind his house stood his pride and joy: the shed. It started off as a humble space for gardening gear, but over the years, it grew. He extended it, insulated it, and filled it with the best tools money could buy. Tools for jobs he hadn't even needed yet. He'd often joke with his mates, "If the apocalypse hits, come to my shed - we'll rebuild the world from there!"

But over time, something started to shift. His teenage daughter stopped asking for help with her homework. His wife spent more evenings at her

mum's place. The neighbours - new to the street - never stayed long when he waved hello. Then one night, standing in the shed, surrounded by all his stuff, Marcus suddenly felt ... empty. He had everything he thought he needed. But something was missing.

The next day, instead of going to Bunnings again, Marcus walked across the street and introduced himself properly to his neighbours. He offered to help with a leaky tap. That weekend, he invited a few people over for a BBQ - not to show off the shed, just to connect. And bit by bit, something changed. Laughter returned to his home. His daughter opened up again. He spent less time building walls and more time opening doors.

One evening, he looked around - not at his tools, but at the people gathered in his backyard - and thought, "This is what being rich really feels like."

What's your shed? What are you building, storing, or clinging to - when maybe it's time to open the door and share life more deeply with others?

Let's be the people who don't just accumulate stuff - but who invest in love, connection, and faith. Let's be rich in what truly matters.

GPBS eNews

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(04 - 10 August)

- **Monday, 04:** St John Vianney (Num 11:4-15; Mt 14:13-21)
- **Tuesday, 05:** Weekday, Ord Time 18 (Num 12:1-13; Mt 14:22-36)
- **Wednesday, 06:** Transfiguration of the Lord (Dan 7:9-10, 13-14; Lk 9:28-36)
- **Thursday, 07:** Weekday, Ord Time 18 (Num 20:1-13; Mt 16:13-23)
- **Friday, 08:** St Mary of the Cross (1 Kg 17:8-16; Col 3:12-17; Mt 6:25-34)
- **Saturday, 09:** Weekday, Ord Time 18 (Deut 6:4-13; Mt 17:14-20)
- **Sunday 10:** 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Wis 18:6-9; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 12:32-48)

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.