



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

(Corpus Christi) - 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

Deut 8:2-3, 14-16

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and to know your inmost heart – whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 147:12-15, 19-20

Praise the Lord, Jerusalem

1. O praise the Lord, Jerusalem! Zion, praise your God! He has strengthened the bars of your gates, he has blessed the children within you. (R)

2. He established peace on your borders, he feeds you with finest wheat. He sends out his word to the earth and swiftly runs his command. (R)
3. He makes his word known to Jacob, to Israel his laws and decrees. He has not dealt thus with other nations; He has not taught them his decrees. (R)

SECOND READING

1 Cor 10:16-17

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 6:51-52

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live forever. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 6:51-58

Jesus said to the Jews:

'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

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SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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

Geoff & Rose Munro,
Tommy & Eileen McCoey,
Mairead & Neil Cummings,
Christine Fitzpatrick, Mary Ferguson,
Pat Mezzino, Pat Chigwidden,
Stephen Chalmers, Lourdes Carle,
Sandy Lee, Tony Mawdsley,
Janet Murray, Claire Galpin,
Rosene Edwards, Vicki Cross,
Gemma Woodhead, Mary Jacobson,
Tanya Francis, Garry Hill, Les Hill,
Geoff Chalmers, Eric Temme,
Kevin and Cath Howard,

ANNIVERSARIES

Dennis Edward Kennelly, Rita Sullivan

RECENTLY DECEASED

William James Sloan

PARISH COLLECTION

May 30th & 31st

1st (Presbytery) \$765.85

2nd (Parish) \$964.50

VICTOR MORNING TEA

7th June

L. Sunman & J. Davidge

14th June

F. Hanna & V. Coffey

VICTOR MEET & GREET

June Saturdays

H. Anderson

June Sundays

R. Reid & A. Rose

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

June

D. Wilkinson

MORNING TEA

June

C. Grimma, V. Attard.

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice 3.00pm Wednesday.

Claire Williams 0429 008 199

**PRAY FOR THE
PEOPLE OF UKRAINE
and
THE MIDDLE EAST**



Bulletin Board



HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR JUNE

For the values of sports: Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART – Friday 12th June



The last encyclical that Pope Francis wrote was devoted to the Sacred Heart. It was called "**He loved us**".

The Pope urged us to embrace a heart-centred life, where love, as expressed by Jesus, becomes the unifying force that binds individuals and communities together.

As the world grows more fragmented, Pope Francis highlighted the importance of reconciliation, peace, and community, all flowing from the heart of Christ.

*Why not set your alarm for three o'clock in the afternoon and pray the Divine Mercy prayer **Jesus I trust in you** each day at that time believing that Jesus' love is our life!*

ANNUAL RETREAT

Fr Vinh and 13 priests and the Archbishop are making their annual retreat this week at Sevenhill Monastery. Please pray for them.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE MAY PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING.



Pastoral Council

Integrity and Safeguarding continue to flourish under the care of Andy Nicholls; we anticipate the results from our recent audit will be sent to the parish very soon and of course you will hear of that asap.

Sister Sister Comoro Update. This active group continues to meet. They are currently looking at holding a Film Event as a possible viable fund raiser. Mark has been thanked for his work achieved to date.

This group is seeking to find a volunteer with typing skills as minutes taker.

Mark assures me that this is not a time-consuming position.

Please telephone him on 0412 607 891 if you are able to assist.

Parish Manager's Report. The annual census was well organised and completed and the same returned to the Archdiocese. Pat reported that Working with Children keeps her busy. Overall, a quiet month.

Goolwa Report The Lutheran Community are waiting for permission to put a shed on the grounds to provide additional storage for their use.

The Biggest Morning Tea and the Farewell to The Ryans was also noted.

Synod Report

The report from Fran Hanna contained information about how the Synod would be conducted and how in the future our various groups in the parish will benefit from this. Our parish owes a great vote of thanks to Fran for the outstanding dedication that she has given to this project, over many months and hours of preparation.

Fran please accept sincere thanks from The PPC and The Parish.

WORLD OCEAN DAY – Monday 8th June



Our experience of an algal bloom here in SA makes us aware of how important the ocean is to us. The ocean produces at least 50% of the planet's oxygen, it is home to most of earth's biodiversity and is the main source of protein for more than a billion people.

God, our Creator, guide our efforts to live sustainably that our seas and oceans may thrive.

VINNIES - WINTER APPEAL ENVELOPES



Please return your envelopes this weekend.
Place them on the second collection plate.

Thank you for your generosity that enables
Vinnies Members to make a difference
to people seeking 'a hand-up'!



KNIGHTS' BARBECUE AGAIN THIS SUNDAY

\$3 PER SAUSAGE, \$5 FOR TWO and a reminder that
income from our sausage sizzles goes to Vinnies.

Our first Synod gathering was held last Saturday at the
Serafino Wines Conference Centre in McLaren Vale where
an enormous shower poured down just as we arrived – a
good sign of abundance to start the day. There were about 100 delegates
seated on round tables in groups of about 10 each.



The Synod is a review of our Archdiocesan Pastoral Plan, looking at the Archdiocese as a whole and local parishes and schools and other Diocesan groups. There were 107 recommendations, with each table reflecting on approximately 60 of them. We looked at themes of being missionary disciples, building community especially in our parishes through our Mass, small groups, social events etc. We looked at Church structures – e.g., how can we be organised in the Archdiocese to ease administrative burdens. Can there be more contact between Archdiocesan bodies and the parishes. How can we learn to be a synodal (walking together) church where all the baptised appreciate their dignity and that they have a part in how the church can be run.

Each member was given two minutes to share their thoughts on a particular recommendation, followed by one minute to reflect on what others had said. It was a bit pressured as you can imagine but we had a co-ordinator to write down our sharings. These will be collated and sent out to us for further reflection before **OUR FINAL DAY ON 27TH JUNE IN HAHNDORF.**

So please keep up your prayers that we will continue to listen to the Holy Spirit.

ST JOAN'S MAINTENANCE ENGINEERS' GROUP

is in need of a volunteer to fill the big shoes being left behind by Michael McBride who is hanging up his "tool bag" soon.

This position includes the upkeep of the property and grounds as required and attending as Victor Harbor representative at the monthly Parish Finance Committee meetings.



The Maintenance Group will hold their next meeting Wednesday 10th June at 9.30am in the Annex. If you are interested, come along and talk with Michael and the crew over a cuppa.

ST JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB meets on Tuesday 9th at 1.30 in the Annex.

ST JOAN'S PASTORAL CARE GROUP will have its next meeting at 4.30 in the Annex on Saturday 14th.

MESSY CHURCH (Organised by the Combined Churches of Goolwa)

The next Goolwa Messy Church will be on Sunday 14th June at the Catholic Church from 3.30-5.30..

THIS WEEK: 6th & 7th June

Victor Harbor Saturday 6pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 C. Huppatz

R.2 C. Allen

EMHC - Host: J. Jeffery

- Chalice 1: Fr Vinh

- Chalice 2: A. Fawkner

Sunday 11am

Commentator: R. Klecko

R. 1 W. Baker

R. 2 A. Rose

EMHC - Host: K. Dudley

- Chalice 1: Fr Vinh

- Chalice 2: P. O'Brien

Goolwa 9am

Commentator: V. Scriver

R.1 R. Lee

R.2 E. Bourne

EMHC - Host: Fr Vinh

- Chalice 1: A. Turner

- Chalice 2: V. Scriver



NEXT WEEK: 13th & 14th June

Victor Harbor Saturday 6pm

Commentator: L. Blacket

R.1 C. Sutherland

R.2 M. Mulvihill

EMHC - Host: Fr Vinh

- Chalice 1: E. O'Connell

- Chalice 2: A. Fawkner

Sunday 11am

Commentator: F. Hanna

R. 1 G. Ryan

R. 2 R. Klecko

EMHC - Host: Fr Vinh

- Chalice 1: A. Rose

- Chalice 2: P. Clingan

Goolwa 9am

Commentator: Marie Riddle

R.1 M. Freeborn

R.2 Michael Riddle

EMHC - Host: T. Siciliano

- Chalice 1:

- Chalice 2: V. Scriver

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Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied:

'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day.

For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me.

This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

THE CHARGER

A teenager was becoming increasingly frustrated. "No way," he said, staring at his phone. "One percent." He searched through his bag. Nothing. He checked his pockets. Nothing. Finally, he found a charger and plugged the phone into the wall.

A few moments later, the battery symbol appeared on the screen. "That's better," he said.

His grandfather, sitting nearby, smiled. "You know, we're not much different." "What do you mean?" "We notice straight away when our phones are running out of power. We panic. We look for a charger. We know they can't keep going forever on an empty battery." The teenager laughed. "But we don't always notice when we're running empty ourselves." The words hung in the air.

We all know what it feels like. Life gets busy. Work piles up. Family demands increase. School and work become hectic. The news is relentless. The world feels noisy. We keep going, often without stopping to ask what is actually sustaining us.

This week, Jesus speaks directly to that reality. He tells people that life is found in him. Not occasionally. Not as a backup plan. Not as an emergency charger when everything else fails. He offers himself as the source of life itself.

The challenge of this Gospel is simple and confronting. Many things can occupy our lives, but not everything can sustain our lives.

Just as a phone eventually runs flat when disconnected from its power source, our hearts can become weary when disconnected from the One who gives us life.

The invitation of Jesus is not simply to believe in him. It is to remain connected to him. Because the life he offers is not something we generate ourselves. It is something we receive.

GPBS eNews

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(08 - 14 June)

- **Monday, 08:** Weekday, Ord Time 10 (1 Kg 17:1-6 ; Mt 5:1-12)
- **Tuesday, 09:** Weekday, Ord Time 10 (1 Kg 17:7-16 ; Mt 5:13-16)
- **Wednesday, 10:** Weekday, Ord Time 10 (1 Kg 18:20-39; Mt 5:17-19)
- **Thursday, 11:** St Barnabas (Acts 11:21-26, 13:1-3; Mt 10:7-13)
- **Friday, 12:** The Most SACRED HEART of Jesus (Deut 7:6-11; 1 Jn 4:7-16; Mt 11:25-30)
- **Saturday, 13:** Weekday, Ord Time 10 (1 Kg 19:19-21; Mt 5:33-37)
- **Sunday 14:** 11th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Ex 19:2-6; Rom 5:6-11; Mt 9:36 - 10:8)

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.