



# Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

PENTECOST - 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

*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 something 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, 24*

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

1. 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. <R>
2. 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. <R>
3. 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. <R>

## SECOND READING

*Romans 8:8-17*

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of

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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)

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

### ANNIVERSARIES

Rita Sullivan, Mary Meade

### PARISH COLLECTION 31st May & 1st June

1st (Presbytery) \$1,016.20  
2nd (Parish) \$1,100.90

### VICTOR MORNING TEA

#### 1st June

L. Sunman & P. Chigwidden

#### 8th June

F. Hanna & M. Cunningham

### VICTOR MEET & GREET June Saturdays

M. Farmer & H. Anderson

### June Sundays

R. Reid & A. Rose

### GOOLWA MEET & GREET

June S. & R. Lee

### MORNING TEA

**JUNE** C. Grimmer, M. O'Halloran,  
J. Ryan

### 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 JUNE :That the world might grow in compassion

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his heart, learn to have compassion on the World.



### AUSTRALIA THE GREAT SOUTHLAND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

On this feast of Pentecost, we pray that the fruits of the Holy Spirit, *love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control* will be evident in our lives and in the lives of all Australians as we strive to build a just and caring society. **Choose one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit and ask for it as a special gift for yourself this Pentecost.**



### MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH - FEAST DAY 9TH JUNE

*Mary, open our ears to hear the word of your Son  
and to recognize his voice and call.*

*Help us to entrust ourselves fully to him especially at times of trial,  
beneath the shadow of the cross, when our faith is called to mature.*

*Remind us that those who believe are never alone.*

*Teach us to see all things with the eyes of Jesus, that he may  
be light for our path.*

### VICTOR/GOOLWA PARISH WELCOME PACKS

We are starting up our own Welcome Pack for new parishioners.

The packs are now in the porch of each church. They contain:

- A welcome from Father Vinh
- Letter from the PPC
- Times for Masses and Sacrament of Reconciliation.
- Suggestion about name tags.

We are especially asking our **meet and greet people** to keep an eye out for any newcomers who may be not just temporary visitors but permanent arrivals but any parishioner is invited to reach out and offer a welcome pack.

### A VOLUNTEER IS NEEDED TO PUT THESE PACKS TOGETHER.

All the material will be provided. It is just a matter of putting the kits together and making sure that there are enough available.

### MAINTENANCE ENGINEERS

Meet on Wednesday 11th June

from 9.30 - 10.30 followed by morning tea.

All welcome.



### ST JOAN'S PASTORAL CARE MEETING

Saturday 14th June at 4.30 in the Annex.

**VINNIES' WINTER APPEAL**—St Joan's Social Club have donated \$2,000 to this year's Appeal.

### ANNUAL DIOCESAN COUNT OF ATTENDANCE 2025

Thank you to all our counters that contributed to our attendance count over the month of May. Overall our average weekly numbers were: Females 115 Males 95.

# Bulletin Board



## INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PLAY – 11TH JUNE

Play is a universal language spoken by people of all ages, transcending national, cultural, and socio-economic boundaries. This shared passion fosters a sense of community and national pride. Sport is a form of play that is very important in our world. Play fosters resilience, creativity, and innovation in individuals. It helps children develop the cognitive, physical, creative, social, and emotional skills they need to thrive in a rapidly changing world.



## WORLD DAY AGAINST CHILD LABOUR – 12TH JUNE

Since 2000, for nearly two decades, the world had been making steady progress in reducing child labour. But over the past few years, conflicts, crises and the COVID-19 pandemic, have plunged more families into poverty – and forced millions more children into child labour. Today, 160 million children are still engaged in child labour. That is almost one in ten children worldwide.

## EARTHCARE FOR JUNE – TREES

Plant more trees? Even large scale farmers relying on a single crop are realizing the need for **biodiversity**. Focus is changing to smaller plantings in smaller areas with trees and native vegetation preserved to encourage birds and reptile life. Not many of us are able to plant our own trees although some of us grow seedlings for *Trees for Life*.



Another suggestion is to buy a tree at a cost of \$10 to be included in the National Parks and Wildlife Resilience Programme. It can be given as a gift with special dedication section available. <https://support.fnpw.org.au/FNPW/FNPW/Fundraising/FNPW-Gift-Items/Plant-a-Tree.aspx>

### THANKS FOR THOSE WHO HAVE SENT IN PHOTOS FOR OUR TREE PHOTO COMPETITION!

Send in a photo of a tree that speaks to you - of life and beauty or perhaps of struggle.

**VICTOR:** Send photos to Fran  
[fran.hanna@bigpond.com](mailto:fran.hanna@bigpond.com) or by text to 0415125010.

**GOOLWA:** Send photos to Vivi  
[vivscriva@gmail.com](mailto:vivscriva@gmail.com) or by text to 0439 430 486.

## MISSION SERVICE LAST SUNDAY for CHRISTIAN CHURCHES OF THE FLEURIEU WELCOME PACK

*I would like to send you and the team at The Great South Coast sincere congratulations on the fantastic presentation on Sunday afternoon. It was a most joyous occasion, with beautiful singing and a great sense of the presence of The Spirit. From Anne Fawcner to Lutheran Pastor Nigel Rosenzweig.*

Anne will keep us informed of future progress of this mission.  
[www.greatsouthcoast.com.au](http://www.greatsouthcoast.com.au)

(A piece of interesting news spotted by a parishioner in the “The Next Crop” quarterly insert in *The Times* and the *Fleurieu Sun*: Seaweed can be fed to cattle to reduce their methane emissions. Methane is a heat-absorbing gas.)

THIS WEEK: 7th & 8th June

### VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: L. Blacket

R.1 C. Huppatz  
R.2 J. Jeffery

EMHC E. O’Shaughnessy

### Sunday 11am

Commentator: T. Hounslow

R. 1 M. Cunningham  
R. 2 G. Ryan

EMHC P. Clingan

### GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: J. Ryan

R1 E. Bo urne  
R.2 C. Huppatz

EMHC M. Ryan



NEXT WEEK: 14th & 15th June

### VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: C. Huppatz

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

EMHC A. Fawcner

### Sunday 11am

Commentator: P. Clingan

R. 1 W. Baker  
R. 2 A. Rose

EMHC L. Sunman

### GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: V. Scriva

R1 Marie Riddle  
R.2 Michael Riddle

EMHC T. Siciliano



## VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

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RAMINDJERI land

### CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE

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Web: [www.victorgoolwacatholic.org.au](http://www.victorgoolwacatholic.org.au)

### PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

#### • PARISH PRIEST

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in an emergency - 0429 098 802)  
Email: [Vinh2511@bigpond.com](mailto:Vinh2511@bigpond.com)

#### • PARISH MANAGER

Mrs Pat Clingan (0410 593 617)  
(Monday & Thursday: 10am - 12 noon)  
Email: [Parish\\_manager@bigpond.com](mailto:Parish_manager@bigpond.com)

#### • PARISH ENCOUNTER

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

#### • PARISH TREASURER

Mr Merv Mallett (0412 103 443)  
Email: [parish\\_treasure@bigpond.com](mailto: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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Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

### 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 14:15-16,23-26*

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If you love me you will keep my commandments.  
I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever.

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him.  
Those who do not love me do not keep my words.  
And my word is not my own: it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.

### RIGHT PLACE, RIGHT TIME

Her family had moved away long before I arrived at the parish. Her last years were spent in a nursing home somewhere down south. When she died her children called the parish. We were where she wanted to have her funeral Mass celebrated. We had been her church for decades. There would only be a handful in attendance. At the funeral home, the family made clear that none of them were practicing their faith anymore. I should select all the music and read the scripture of my choosing. Nothing special to say in my homily. No eulogy. No cemetery burial.

I left the wake wondering if I had just wasted my evening. As I passed the adjacent chapel a young man stepped out calling me by name. After a few seconds I recognised his face and remembered his name – a student I had taught years ago and hadn't seen since graduation. I saw on the sign in the chapel that the deceased was his father. Excitedly he told me that he had convinced his mother I would somehow be there, that I would never let him down. How I was able to do that, not being contacted, was a mystery to me. Calling him by his name, I assured him I was there for them. I said a prayer, comforted the family, and drove home once again appreciating the mysterious way the Holy Spirit uses us. A Pentecost moment for sure. *GPBS eNews*

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

*09 - 12 June*

- **Monday, 09:** The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church (Gen 3:9-15, 20; Jn 19:25-34)
- **Tuesday, 10:** Weekday, Ord Time 10 (2 Cor 1:18-22; Mt 5:13-16)
- **Wednesday, 11:** St Barnabas (Acts 11:21-26, 13:1-3; Mt 10:7-13)
- **Thursday, 12:** Weekday, Ord Time 10 (2 Cor 3:15 - 4:1, 3-6; Mt 5:20-26)
- **Friday, 13:** St Anthony of Padua (2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 5:27-32)
- **Saturday, 14:** Weekday, Ord Time 10 (2 Cor 5:14-21; Mt 5:33-37)
- **Sunday 15:** The MOST HOLY TRINITY (Prov 8:22-31; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15)

### 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.