



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

32nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY
TIME - YEAR B

*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

1 Kings 17:10-16

Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, 'Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives,' she replied 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:

"Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied, before the day when the Lord sends rain on the face of the earth."

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 145:7-10

Praise the Lord, my soul!

SECOND READING

Hebrews 9:24-28

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Mt 5:3*

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

GOSPEL

Mark 12:38-44

In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously

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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)

John Wallace, Claire Hamish, Jeffery Family, Natalie Millar, Ann Tee, Bailey Smallacombe, Charlie Nicolson, Jane Lloyd, Geoff Munro, Eileen McCoe, Len Peake, Neil Cumming, Mollie Davis, David Lee, Evelyn Liston, Ann Hannagan, Trudi McNamara, Allen Odgers Elizabeth Nance, Rose Munro, Andrew Nichols, John Slagter, William Ash, Eloise Ash, Gavin Schumacher, Jim Ryan, Leonie Hassan, Fr Vinh Tran, John Tregagle, Greg Hope, Mairead Cummings, Maire Ryan, John McAuliffe, Meg Klecko, Stephen Vernon, Graham Blacket, Jo Andrews, Bill Pick.

ANIVERSARIES

Ron Harris, Dorothy Higgins, Jim Huppertz, Reginald Meade.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Dorothy West

PARISH COLLECTION 2nd & 3rd November

1st (Presbytery) \$1119.25
2nd (Parish) \$1174.25

Direct Debit Details :
BSB 085 005 A/C 489786431

VICTOR MORNING TEA

November 17th
M. Cunningham & E. Dabinett
November 24th
W. & J. Baker

VICTOR MEET & GREET

November Saturdays
M. Farmer & C. Huppertz
November Sundays
R. Reid & A. Rose

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

November : R. Sadlon

MORNING TEA

V. Scriva, C. Rivers, S. Butler

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice 3.00pm Wednesday.

HOLY FATHER'S 2024 PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER: FOR



THOSE WHO HAVE LOST A CHILD :

Let us pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or a daughter find support in their community, and may

receive peace of heart from the Spirit of Consolation.

VINNIES CHRISTMAS HAMPERS



Parishioners are invited to bring along non-perishable food to place in the Christmas boxes in both churches until

Sunday 15th December.

Your generosity was much appreciated by 76 local families last year !! Thank you !!

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Columban Calendars (\$10) and Christmas cards (\$5/pack)

will be on sale at St John's & St Joan's from 9th-10th Nov.

VINNIES

Our next meeting is **Wednesday, 21st November**, at **St Joan's** after 9.30am Mass.

MECHANICAL ENGINEERS



Our next meeting is at St Joan's on Wednesday 13th November at 9.30am. Morning tea to follow. All welcome.

ST JOAN'S SOCIAL GROUP

St Joan's Social Group meets at 1.30pm on Tuesday 12th November.

COMORO RAFFLE

Our first Comoro raffle was a great success with \$675 being made to add to our Comoro funds. Many thanks to all those who bought a ticket. Our winners were:

Victor: Ted Hounslow
Goolwa: Marie Galpin

GOOLWA MESSY CHURCH

CHRISTMAS THEME
Sunday November 24th 2024
3.30pm—5.30pm at the St John's Catholic Church Hall, Gardiner St. Goolwa.

PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE AND THE HOLY LAND



CHRISTMAS DINNER 2024



Step through the Christmas Arch into our Social Club Christmas Dinner at St Joan's on Friday 29th November at 6.00pm. Start the Christmas Season with wonderful company, food and BYO drinks and glass. Always a great night. Organise your table or if you prefer we can do it for you.

The cost is \$20 for turkey, ham and salad dinner with Christmas pudding and custard or fruit salad and ice cream. Ring or text Pat Clingan before 22nd November with your numbers and money on 0410 593 617.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS OCTOBER MEETING

The council met to discuss the up coming parish assembly, just checking all was organised. It was agreed that talks regarding pastoral support in the parish may need to take place in the first meeting of the new council in 2025

We would like to thank those members whose term expired this year for the time they have given to our parish, and hope that all new members will enjoy their time on the council.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS 2024 - 2025.

John Buchan, Mary Libutan, Robin Reid, Peter Redden from Victor and Paul Kennelly, Sue McCarthy, Marilyn Freeborn, Steve Muller and John Dunthorne from Goolwa. Ray Klecko as parish manager and Father Vinh make up the council numbers. The next meeting will be on Thurs. Nov. 28th at Victor at 3 pm.

NATIONAL RECYCLE WEEK

10th—15th November
Why do we need National Recycling Week?

As well as engaging Australians on the importance of recycling, closing the recycling loop by *buying products made with recycled content* is also key to creating a sustainable future.



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RESPONSORIAL PSALM
32nd SUNDAY in ORD. TIME, YR.B-2

Praise the Lord, my soul!

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever
who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is He who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free.

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down
It is the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord, who protects the stranger.

The Lord upholds the widow and the orphan
but thwarts the path of the wicked
The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age.



LETTING GO



Dear God,
I'm letting go of my problems
and asking you to handle them.

I'm letting go of my hurt
and asking you to heal me.

I'm letting go of my fear
and asking you to sustain me.

I'm letting go of my worries
and asking you to bless me . Amen

GIFTS FOR VICTORIA HOUSE VICTOR & IMMANUEL CARE GOOLWA

Vinnies is once again asking our community
for their Christmas generosity .
Gift giving to the residents of Victoria House
in Victor Harbor and to Immanuel Care in
Goolwa has become a Vinnies' tradition and
is very much appreciated by the residents,
most of whom are without family.
Margaret Chalmers and Meredith
Cunningham will be in St Joan's porch after
the 6 pm Mass on Saturday 16th November
and after 11am Mass on Sunday November
17th. Pat Stone and Denise Mulvihill will be
in the porch of St John's after 9.30pm on
November 17th.

*You are invited to collect a card with
suggestions for an unwrapped Christmas
present which will be delivered to Victoria
House and Immanuel Care.*

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON

A very pleasant afternoon
was spent last Tuesday in
the Annex at St Joan's
with our Melbourne Cup Luncheon.

We were greeted with a choice of orange
juice, champagne, or both.
We were all warmly welcomed,
especially our Goolwa members who
made up two tables.
A very generous effort.

Our tables were strikingly
decorated with Melbourne Cup place mats
and a natty black and white centrepiece
designed by Meg.

After our delicious lunch of chicken and
salad followed by pavlova or fruit salad
and icecream organised by Pat, Colleen,
Edna and Meg we purchased our tickets
for the sweeps which were very ably
run by Des, Steve and Joe.

Our fashions on the field presented a
difficult choice as so many ladies had
dressed up. Pat wisely asked a visitor
Elizabeth Ganguly to choose the winners.
Brian Jackson won the prize for the best
male entry and Gaylene Foster the prize
for the best female entry. The race itself
was very exciting and the winners of the
sweeps very happy with the result.

Thanks to Pat and her team and all those
who helped with making the day such a
great success including those who
helped wash dishes and tidy up.
A successful parish social function.

NAMES OF THOSE WE WISH TO PRAY FOR DURING NOVEMBER

In each Church porch
there is a book for the
names of people you wish
to be prayed for during
November. You will only
need to write their name
once. They will be especially
remembered each year. The book will be
taken to the altar each Sunday during
November in the offertory procession.
In Goolwa you can also put your names
on the Notice Board.



GOOLWA NOTICE BOARD

Once again Vivi has done a superb job on
the front notice board with a beautiful display
for all souls month of November. Thanks
again Vivi for setting our notice board well
and truly alight!



THIS WEEK: 9th & 10th November

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: L. Blacket

R.1 M. Mulvihill
R.2 J. Jeffery

EMHC A. Fawkner

Sunday 11am

Commentator: P. Clingan

R. 1 M. Cunningham
R. 2 F. Hanna

EMHC L. Sunman

GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: Joe Ryan

R. 1 P. Kennelly
R. 2 R. Lee

EMHC Maire Ryan



NEXT WEEK: 16th & 17th November

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: T. White

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

EMHC M. Farmer

Sunday 11am

Commentator: P. O'Brien

R. 1 A. Weygood
R. 2 K. Dudley

EMHC L. Sunman

GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: Marie Riddle

R. 1 E. Bourne
R. 2 Michael Riddle

EMHC T. Siciliano

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA PARISH

NGARRINDJERI and
RAMINDJERI land

CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

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• PARISH NEWSLETTER

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)
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• CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit (8210 8159)
Goolwa (Cathy May 0401 584 237)
Victor Harbor (Office 8552 1084)

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

DID YOU KNOW?

- Every Jewish male was required to pay an annual half shekel offering towards the costs of the Temple (see Mt 17:24). Women were not obligated to make this offering. The offering of the widow was not required but freely given.
- The Jerusalem Temple was a massive structure with a large cohort of priests and attendants and its upkeep must have been a very expensive exercise.
- The treasury was a part of the Temple in Jerusalem and its function was under the exclusive control of the Sadducees, an elite and wealthy group of families of high priestly caste.

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in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.'

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

WIDOWS WANTED

Sitting across from the offering box, Jesus was observing how the crowd tossed money in for the collection. Many of the rich were making large contributions. One poor widow came up and put in two small coins – a measly two cents. Jesus called his disciples over and said, "The truth is that this poor widow gave more to the collection than all the others put together. All the others gave what they'll never miss; she gave extravagantly what she couldn't afford – she gave her all."

The older we get, the more widows we know. The way the math works out, women still outlive men in this country, and men often marry women who are younger to begin with. That makes for a good many widows. Since the early Church, the Christian mission has been powered by the extraordinary energy of this group. In the first three centuries, the Church formally recognised a quasi-religious status of widowhood as a position ranking below priests, deacons, and exorcists. Women frequently tithed their later years to the Church in works of prayer, charity, and service. Although we no longer speak of a consecrated order of widows, most of us still see a lot of them in church circles. They may be stripped of the dignity of rank but not of any of the responsibility they've always

shouldered. Give me a committee of widows, and we'll get the job done!

Widowers, though less numerous, are certainly welcomed in the ministry of the Church, and single people of any age, whatever the circumstances, keep most parishes afloat. This face is not often publicly acknowledged; let's amend that unjust silence here.

KIDS' CORNER

Jesus continued, "All the others gave what they'll never miss; she gave extravagantly what she couldn't afford – she gave her all."

Kelsey has a lot of leftover food from her birthday party, and it wasn't the kind she liked very much. So, she brought it to the church food pantry. Kelsey tried to feel good about her donation, but when she saw the people lined up outside, she knew she had to do more. Kelsey found out that what was most needed at the food pantry were things like peanut butter, nappies, cereal and shampoo. She used all her pocket money to buy those things, and she brought it back to the pantry. She felt better, but still, she wanted to do more. Do you have any ideas for Kelsey? For you?

Jesus, show me how to give more every day. Amen.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(November 11 - 17)

- **Monday, 11:** St Martin of Tours (Titus 1:1-9; Lk 17:1-6)
- **Tuesday, 12:** St Josaphat (Titus 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10)
- **Wednesday, 13:** Weekday, Ord Time 32 (Titus 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19)
- **Thursday, 14:** Weekday, Ord Time 32 (Philemon 7-20; Lk 17:20-25)
- **Friday, 15:** Weekday, Ord Tim 32 (2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37)
- **Saturday, 16:** Weekday, Ord Tim 32 (3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8)
- **Sunday 17:** 33rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Dan 12:1-3; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32)

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.