



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME - 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

Isaiah 25:6-10

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all people a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines.

On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever.

The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so.

That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.

We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 22

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

SECOND READING

Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty

or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Eph 1:17,18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1-14

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, (Cont page 4)



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, Bailey Smallacombe, Ann Tee, Charlie Nicolson, Jane Lloyd, Eileen McCoey, Len Peake, Ron Harris, Neil Cumming, Dave Rivers, Clancy Retallick, Ann Hannagan, Mollie Davis, Jutta Millar, Cath Howard, Keith Fawkner, Trudi McNamara, Elizabeth Nance, Allen Odgers, Jan Henderson, Jesse Walker, Richard Eisenkoeck, Monsignor Robert Aitken, Rose Munro, Bill Woodhead, Andrew Nichols.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Ken Tillson
Mons Rob Egar, Dorothy Hobbs, Dorothy Wheatland

PARISH COLLECTION

7th & 8th October

1st (Presbytery) \$ 987.15
2nd (Parish) \$ 1,178.25

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

20th & 27th October

W. & J. Baker, F. Hanna

VICTOR MORNING TEA

15th October

A. Williss & F. Hanna

22nd October

W. & J. Baker

VICTOR MEET & GREET

October Saturdays

M. Farmer & M. Tuckey

October Sundays

R. Reid & W. Baker

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

October A. Turner

GOOLWA MORNING TEA

October P. Kennelly,

J. Dunthorne, M. O'Halloran

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice 3.00pm Wednesday.

Claire Williams 0429 008 199

HOLY FATHER'S 2023 PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER :

FOR THE SYNOD : We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.



LECTIO DIVINA GROUP

Sunday 5pm in the Annex.

You are welcome to join this group to reflect on the Gospel of the day.

Phone Carol Sutherland. 0418 856 799.

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

When reciting the Rosary, the important and meaningful moments of salvation history are relived. The various steps of Christ's mission are traced. With Mary the heart is oriented toward the mystery of Jesus. Christ is put at the centre of our life, of our time, of our city, through the contemplation and meditation of his holy mysteries of joy, light, sorrow and glory. The Rosary brings peace and reconciliation. It contains within itself the healing power of the Most Holy Name of Jesus, invoked with faith and love at the centre of each "Hail Mary". *Pope Benedict XVI*



REMEMBRANCE BOARD FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

As November is the month of remembering those who have passed away, there will be a Remembrance "Board in the foyer of both Churches. You are invited to give Vivi Scriver at Goolwa and Wendy Baker at Victor a photo or memorial card, with name or message on the back that will be displayed for the month.

MEET MARK THIS CHRISTMAS ENJOY A RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE

Di Shearer is inviting you to take time during November and December to enjoy a quiet and prayerful lead up to Christmas. The Gospel of Mark begins with a look back into the Old and a look forward into the New. Are we able to do that within the busyness and confusion of our times?

A Retreat in Daily life is time spent either in a small group contemplating scripture or in one to one conversations that keep us on track. All this with a view to finding the ways in which Christ is incarnate among us in the 21st Century.

Please let Di know if you'd be interested. Meeting times and conversations can be arranged in Goolwa, Victor Harbor and Port Elliot to suit interested participants.

Di's phone 08 8554 3703 or 0448536835 Di's Email: dishearer@icloud.com

YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOU!!

AT OUR PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON SUNDAY 29th OCTOBER 12.00pm - 3.00pm at St Joan's



Our theme this year is 'Nurturing our Faith through the Eucharist'. We are privileged to have Jenny O'Brien from the Archdiocesan Office of Worship come and speak on this topic. Don't miss out. And don't miss out on the opportunity to see how the parish is going and have your input and questions heard!!!

Sometimes we are tempted to think that our input into the parish is not needed.

This is very far from the truth. Each person contributes in his or her own way to the life and mission of the parish community. So come along and join with your companions on the way!

Attendance Slips to be returned

If you did not get a form to register your attendance and catering needs there are spare copies at the back of the Church. Please return by 14th October.

Travel

We are aware that St John's people have to travel over to St Joan's and we thank you for the extra effort you are making. If you need a lift call Paul Kennelly on 0402 852 825.

CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL FOR 2023

will be held on next Sunday 22nd October.



*The theme is **Heart on Fire, Feet on the Move** There are projects in 41 countries and*

14 parishes in Australia. There are envelopes available at the back of the Church or you can donate next Sunday at our third collection or online at

<https://www.catholicmission.org.au/>

PRAYER FOR SITUATION IN ISRAEL AND GAZA

Pope Francis called for an end to attacks and violence in Israel and Gaza on Sunday, saying terrorism and war would not solve any problems, but only bring further suffering and death to innocent people. "I follow with apprehension and sorrow what is happening in Israel," the pope said in his weekly address to faithful in St. Peter's Square. "I express my solidarity with the relatives of the victims, and I pray for all those who are experiencing hours of terror and anguish." Reuters

Bulletin Board



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr. A

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.

He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your
staff;
with these you give me comfort.

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing.



SAINT MARGARET MARY ALACOQUE Feast Day 16th October (1647 – 1690)

Margaret Mary was chosen by Christ to arouse the Church to a realization of the love of God symbolized by the heart of Jesus. Margaret Mary entered the Order of the Visitation nuns at the age of 24. At 27 she received the first of her revelations. She felt "invested" with the presence of God. Christ's request was that his love for humankind be made evident through her. But Margaret Mary had to pay for her gift of holiness. Some of her own sisters were hostile. Some theologians declared her visions delusions and suggested that she eat more heartily. After serving as novice mistress and assistant superior, Margaret Mary died at the age of 43, while being anointed. She said: "I need nothing but God, and to lose myself in the heart of Jesus." *Catholic Culture & Franciscan Media*



PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE



AND THEY'RE RACING



to St. Johns Church, Goolwa for our
MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON 2023.

Admission is \$25 per head

Start 12.00 noon on Tues. 7th Nov

BYO drinks

Bookings to Paul on 0402 852 825.

Come along and support an important fundraiser of the Knights of the Southern Cross.

THE WORLD WIDE SYNOD IN ROME CONTINUES



"The blessing and welcoming gaze of Jesus prevents us from falling into some dangerous temptations: of being a rigid Church, which arms itself

against the world and looks backward; of being a lukewarm Church, which surrenders to the fashions of the world; of being a tired Church, turned in on itself," Pope Francis said in a homily in St Peter's Square that marked the start of the month-long Synod on Synodality. CathNews

WORM FARM

We are about to hand over \$170 to our Comoro fund which is income from two years of selling worm produce at St Joan's and includes the sale of one of our worm farms to a good home. We currently have two worm farms on the go. We share our produce with our two garden teams from time to time. The worms have asked us to extend their thanks to those four parishioners who supply their food - they are most appreciative!!
Mary Izzo and Fran Hanna



NEW ENCYCLICAL (POPE'S LETTER) ON CLIMATE CHANGE

Laudate Deum (Praise God)

Warning that "the world in which we live is collapsing and may be nearing the breaking point", Pope Francis released a new document urging dramatic action to combat climate change. The new document is titled *Laudate Deum*, or "Praise God," and is "a look at what has happened" since 2015 and a look at what still "needs to be done".

SEASON OF CREATION ENDS

Many thanks to all involved in our celebration this year:
the planning group, the inspirers,
those who looked after our displays,
those who sent in photos of what they love,
our poets, our musicians
those who shared their produce.

May we continue to care for our world.

**THIS WEEK 14TH & 15TH
OCTOBER.**

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: L Blacket

R.1 C. Huppatz

R.2 J. Ryan

EMHC E. O'Shaughnessy

Sunday 11am

Commentator: F. Hanna

R. 1 R. Reid

R. 2 A. Williss

EMHC A. Rose

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: A. Fawkner

R. 1 E. Bourne

R. 2 M. O'Halloran

EMHC S. Muller



NEXT WEEK 21st & 22nd OCTOBER

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 M. Mulvihill

R.2 L. Blacket

EMHC J. Jeffery

Sunday 11am

Commentator: T. Hounslow

R. 1 R. Klecko

R. 2 P. O'Brien

EMHC P. Clingan

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: V. Scriva

R. 1 C. May

R. 2 J. Ryan

EMHC Marie Ryan

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA
NGARRINDJERI and
RAMINDJERI land

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

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• **PARISH MANAGERS**

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Mrs Pat Clingan (0410 593 617)
Email: Parish_manager@bigpond.com

• **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)
Email: parish_treasure@bigpond.com

• **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)



COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

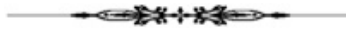
(Current from 12/10/23)

- If you have tested positive for COVID-19, please stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home.
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances.
- Communion is given only in hands. Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Collection plates are to be passed around with minimum contact.

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and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests.

When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.



DINING IN GOD'S HOUSE

(Matthew 22: 1 - 14)

This is a strange story: why should invited guests not come to a king's wedding feast? In our time, any celebrity who throws a party can expect everyone to come, the invited along with the uninvited. People want to see and be seen at notable occasions. Certainly, a royal wedding qualifies as a must-see event.

But in this story people do the remarkably inappropriate thing: they snub the king. And when the king practically begs them to come a second time, some of those invited do violence to the messengers. This is such an incredible response; we recognise that Jesus is referring to the response to himself and to prophets who came before him. No one would behave this way to a king, his son, and his servants, Jesus is saying. And yet you behave this way to God, God's son, and the prophets.

As listeners to this story, we have a choice. We can be like those invited who don't bother to go, or who retaliate with rage. We can come

without preparation. Or we can have something to say for ourselves if caught poorly clad at God's feast. "O God, have mercy on me, a sinner," is a good prayer to have on hand.

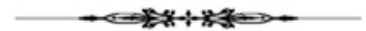
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KIDS' CORNER

God will supply whatever you need, in accord with God's glorious riches in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4: 19)

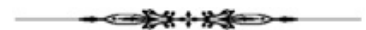
It seems like everyone on Josh's baseball team has two or three expensive bats and brand-new gloves. Except Josh. He has one bat that his mum found at a garage sale. His glove is a hand-me-down from his cousin. But today, Josh made a spectacular catch at third base with his old glove. And he hit two home runs with his garage sale bat. Some of the kids asked if they can try Josh's bat. After the game, Josh realises that he doesn't need fancy new equipment. He already has everything he needs.

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PRAYER FOR PEACE IN ISRAEL AND PALESTINE

May the present crisis of violence across the Holy Land, between Palestinians and Israelis, come to a speedy end so that, with the help of other nations, dialogue can lead to peace and justice.
Lord, hear us.



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(16 October - 22 October)

- **Monday, 16:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 28 (Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32)
- **Tuesday, 17:** St Ignatius of Antioch (Rom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41)
- **Wednesday, 18:** St Luke (2 Tim 4:10-17; Lk 10:1-9)
- **Thursday, 19:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 28 (Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54)
- **Friday, 20:** Weekday, Ord Time 28 (Rom 4:1-8; Lk 12:1-7)
- **Saturday, 21:** Weekday, Ord Time 28 (Rom 4:143, 16-18; Lk 12:8-12)
- **Sunday 22:** 29th Sunday Ordinary Time (Is 45:1, 4-6; 1 Thess 1:1-5; Mt 22:15-21)

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.