

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 Daniel 12:1-13

'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 15:5, 8-11 Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.

SECOND READING Hebrews 10:11-14,18

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place forever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

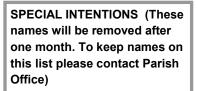
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Lk 21:36*

Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful, pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 13:24-32

Jesus said to his disciples, 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven. 'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. (Continued page 4)



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

ANIVERSARIES

Dorothy Higgins, Jim Huppatz, Reginald Meade, Frank Scriva.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Dorothy West

PARISH COLLECTION November 9th & 10th

1st (Presbytery) \$1189.20 2nd (Parish) \$1250.90

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. Huppatz 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.

GIFTS TO VICTORIA HOUSE AND IMMANUEL CARE

Vinnies is once again asking our community for their Christmas generosity. Gift giving to the residents of Victoria House in

Victor Harbor has become a Vinnies tradition and very much appreciated by the residents, most of whom are without family. Meredith Cunningham and Margaret Chalmers will be in St Joan's porch after the 6.00pm Mass on Saturday 16th November and after 11am Mass on Sunday 17th November to hand out a card with suggestions for gifts and Pat Stone and Denise Mulvihill will be in the porch of St John's after 9am Mass on 17th November.

VINNIES CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Parishioners are invited to bring along non-perishable food to

place in the Christmas



until Sunday 15th December. Your generosity was much appreciated by 76 local families last year !! Thank you !!

VICTOR HARBOR COMBINED CHURCHES CHRISTMAS GIFT TO THE COMMUNITY

We are invited to the Newland Uniting Church on Wednesday 11th December at 7.00pm to enjoy St Peter's Cathedral Choir for an inspiring night of candles, carols and readings celebrating the Story of Christmas. A wonderful chance to hear a world class choir.

ADMISSION IS FREE

(There will be a leaving collection if you wish to contribute towards the South Coast Schools Pastoral Care Program and South Coast Christian Community Care.)



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. There will be a Christmas Hamper raffle and maybe the chocolate wheel. Ring or text Pat Clingan before 22nd November with your numbers and money on 0410 593 617.



NOVEMBER SOUTHERN CROSS DON'T MISS IT!

Our Southern Cross has some very pertinent articles this month beginning with a very moving story Miracles Really Do Happen: - document produced by the World Wide Synod,

- the new head of Vinnies in South Australia, - pro-lifers' response to the recent vote on abortion in parliament, and a comprehensive article entitled Ensuring a fitting farewell which asks and tries to answer the question: What happens if you want Catholic ritual as part of your final farewell but children, partners or family members are disconnected from the Church?

MARK WILCOCK & STUART COWLEY

Mark and Stuart will be received into our Catholic

Church. They will be confirmed and receive First Holy Communion at 9am Mass on Sunday 24th Nov. the Feast of Christ the King at St John's Goolwa.



Please keep them in your prayers.





.RESPONSORIAL PSALM 33rd SUNDAY in ORD. TIME, YR.B-2

Keep me safe, O God; You are my hope.

O Lord, it is You who are my portion and cup;

it is You Yourself who are my prize. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since He is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For You will not leave my soul among the dead,

nor let Your beloved know decay.

You will show me the path of life the fullness of joy in Your presence, at Your right hand happiness for ever



SAINT CLEMENT I Feast Day 23rd November

St. Clement is the third successor of St. Peter who ruled the Church from c. 92 to 102 and is mentioned in the Canon of the Mass. Pope St. Clement wrote a letter to the Corinthians, which is



one of the most ancient and precious documents surviving from early Christian times; it shows his profoundly religious spirit, wholly imbued with the mystery of the things of God and love of Christian unity. *Catholic Culture*

NEW CARDINAL- ELECT BISHOP Mykola Bychok CSsR to the Australian Bishops Conference

"Since my arrival in Australia in 2021, I have found your personal support and friendship to be one of the greatest gifts that I have received in my life. My words cannot fully express how much I come to rely on your wisdom, friendship and love.

"Australia is now my home which I love. I am a cardinal from Australia, and I will be a Cardinal for Australia," he said. *Cathnews*

PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE AND THE HOLY LAND



CORRECTION!!! VINNIES next meeting is Thursday 21st November at St Joan's after 9.00 am Mass.

GOOLWA PARISHIONERS CHRISTMAS EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

1st Dec. Lutheran Advent Night
6.00 till 9.00 pm See Vivi or Paul.
8th Dec. Goolwa Christmas Parishioners' night. From 6.00 pm - Details to follow.
15th Dec. Goolwa pageant leaving car park of our church.
6.30 pm

K S C MONTHLY REPORT November 2024

Our yearly luncheon was very well supported with a profit of \$837 recorded. Many thanks to all who assisted in so many ways.

The Oct. BBQ raised \$87.05 cents.
Thanks to all for their support and donations.
The next BBQ will be held on 1st Dec.
Goolwa Christmas community get together to be organised by the Knights on 8th Dec.
from 6.00 pm. More details shortly.

REMEMBRANCE

We were saddened by the passing of Dorothy West, the widow of late member Wally. After the passing of Wally, Dorothy showed great interest and support for our branch. She was a much loved member of all groups she joined but especially in our church community. We also remember David Wark whose anniversary occurs at this time. May they all rest in God's perfect peace. **Next meeting is on Wednesday 20th November at Goolwa from 4.00 pm.**

WORK, HEALTH & SAFETY

A reminder for parishioners to please leave the area in front of the fire hose cupboard in the foyer of St John church free of obstructions. There should be a clearance area of 2 metres. At all times there must be clear access to this cupboard in case the fire hose needs to be used in an emergency. Thank you for your cooperation. Cathy May W,H&S Coordinator.

NOVEMBER

SPECIAL REMEMBRANCE BOOK/BOARD

There will be a "Remembrance Book" in the foyer of both Churches.

You are invited to record the names of those you want to remember and have prayed for and the book will be taken up and placed on the altar at the beginning of Mass. As well at Goolwa there is a memorial board.

THIS WEEK: 16th & 17th November

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: T. White

- R.1 L. BlacketR.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. BourneR. 2 Michael Riddle
- EMHC T. Siciliano



| NEXT WEEK: 23rd & 24th November | |
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| VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm | |
| Commentator: L. Blacket | |
| | J. Jeffery B. Bullen |
| ЕМНС | E. O'Shaughnessy |
| Sunday 11am | |
| Commentator: F. Hanna | |
| | W. Baker L. Sunman |
| ЕМНС | J. Baker |
| GOOLWA 9am | |
| Commentator: A. Fawkner | |
| | C. May L. Healey |

EMHC R. Austin

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA PARISH

NGARRINDJERI and RAMINDJERI land

CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

• PARISH PRIEST Fr Vinh-Quang Tran (8552 1084; in an emergency - 0429 098 802) Email: <u>Vinh2511@bigpond.com</u>

• PARISH MANAGERS

Mr Ray Klecko (0438 364 870) 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, <u>catholicvhg@bigpond.com</u> (*All items for the newsletter by Wednesday evening*)

• PARISH TREASURER

Mr Merv Mallett (0412 103 443) Email: <u>parish_treasure@bigpond.com</u>

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)

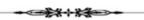
DID YOU KNOW?

The language which Jesus uses here to describe the end times is called 'apocalyptic'. Apocalyptic writing was very common and popular from about the second century before Jesus' birth through to the second century after his death. The Bible contains many examples of this apocalyptic style; for example, the Book of Revelation. It is a particular literary form with specialist rules for interpretation. It is perhaps the most misunderstood style of writing in the Scriptures. It is highly symbolic and should never be read literally.

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So with you when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'



THE TIME OF DISTRESS

Jesus said, "Take a lesson from the fig tree. From the moment you notice its buds form, the merest hint of green, you know summer's just around the corner. And so it is with you. When you see all these things, you know he is at the door. Don't take this lightly. I'm not just saying this for some future generation, but for this one, too – these things will happen. Sky and earth will wear out; my words won't wear out." (Mark 13:28 - 31)

Some of us respond quicker to bad news than to good. That's how the news media manages to garner our attention. Dire headlines grab eyeballs. We're conditioned to respond to the bad, because the consequences of not responding can be costly.

Jesus does deliver some bad news in the gospels. Make no mistake: this world is passing, and it's all going away for each of us personally and for all creation eventually. We can't hang our hopes on the sun, moon, and stars, because even these mighty forces are mere creatures with builtin obsolescence. And if we're willing to hedge our bets about the end of the world, wagering that our time will not see the end-time, then we're still left to comfort our own mortality in the mirror every morning. Some days we may feel invincible, but you don't want to found your future on a feeling.

Because gospel means good news, the message can never end on a dire

note. Creation's last chapter is coming, but the words of Jesus belong to eternity. If we're looking for an escape route through inescapable death and destruction, Jesus is the door.

How do the words of Jesus bring new life to you? GPBS eNews

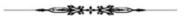
KIDS' CORNER

Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer offering for sin. (Hebrews 10:18)

When we take part in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, we tell Jesus our sins through the priest. When we come in sorrow for our sins and do the penance given to us by the priest, we are forgiven by God. Our sins are forgiven forever. They are gone. The weight is off our shoulders. Our job now is to avoid committing those sins again. God gives us graces in the sacrament to strengthen us, but it's still up to us to do the work.

Take part in the Sacrament of Reconciliation whenever you can. It is God's loving way of helping you grow into the best person you can be.

Jesus, show me how to be more loving and forgiving. Amen.



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(November 18 - 24)

- *Monday, 18:* Weekday, Ord Time 33 (Rev 1:1-4, 2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43)
- *Tuesday, 19:* Weekday, Ord Time 33 (Rev 3:1-6, 14-22; Lk 19:1-10)
- *Wednesday, 20:* Weekday, Ord Time 33 (Rev 4:1-11; Lk 19:11-28)
- *Thursday, 21:* The Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary (Rev 5:1-10; Lk 19:41-44)
- *Friday, 22:* St Cecilia (Rev 10:8-11; Lk 19:45-48)
- *Saturday, 23:* Weekday, Ord Time 33 (Rev 11:4-12; Lk 20:27-40)
- *Sunday 24:* Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE (Dan 7:13-14; Rev 1:5-8; Jn 18:33-37)

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.