



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

**PENTECOST SUNDAY
- 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 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 some-thing 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, 34

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

SECOND READING

Galatians 5:16-25

If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you. When self-indulgence is at work the results are obvious: fornication, gross indecency and sexual irresponsibility; idolatry and sorcery; feuds and wrangling, jealousy, bad temper and quarrels; disagreements, factions, envy; drunkenness, orgies and similar things. I warn you now, as I warned you before: those who behave like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. What the Spirit brings is very different: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. There can be no law against things like that, of course. You cannot belong to Christ Jesus unless you crucify all self-indulgent passions and desires. Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

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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, Dave Rivers, Clancy Retallick, Mollie Davis, David Lee, Ann Hannagan, Cath Howard, Trudi McNamara, Allen Odgers Elizabeth Nance, Jesse Walker J. Millar, Rose Munro, Andrew Nichols, John Slagter, William Ash, Eloise Ash, Gavin Schumacher, Jim Ryan, Leonie Hassan, Fr Vinh Tran

HOLY FATHER'S 2024 PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MAY: FOR THE FORMATION OF MEN AND WOMEN RELIGIOUS AND SEMINARIANS:



Let us pray that men and women religious and seminarians grow in their own vocational journey through human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, that leads them to be credible of the Gospel.

MESSAGE FROM FATHER VINH
Thank you for your thoughts, prayers and caring which are much appreciated. I am now at Ramsay Clinic, Adelaide, commencing my treatment. I am well looked after here and pray that I respond well to the treatment. May God bless us all.

CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

We meet for Lectio Divina (Scripture Reflection) and meditation on Monday afternoons at 4.00. Please contact Anne Weygood for details. 0429 653 844.

THE CENACLE

You are invited to join us in The Cenacle held every Wednesday at 9.30am in St Joan of Arc Church. We start by praying the Rosary, reading, meditating and reflecting on one of the messages given to Father Gobbi by Mary our Mother and making an act of consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Gemma Woodhead 0492 849 414

STRUGGLING TO FIND A HANDYMAN?

Look no further. Graham Ferris, whom Victor parishioners will recognise by his Motor Home parked outside our Church on Sundays, is offering **Handyman Services for the area of Goolwa through to**

Encounter Bay.

Painting. Repairs. Installations and many more etc. Contact details:

Graham Ferris
Mobile: 0448003286
Email: ferrisgi@hotmail.com

SOUTHERN CROSS

The May edition is on sale in our porches. Story of Garage Sale and information about how we can put into practice Laudato Si.

BIGGEST MORNING TEA
DATE: Thursday 23rd May 2024
TIME: 10.00AM TO 12NOON
LOCATION: Catholic Church, Gardiner St Goolwa



The Catholic and Lutheran Churches of Goolwa join together to raise money for Cancer research. The other Churches too are hosting events - all in the name of the **"Combined Churches of Goolwa"**. Media coverage inspires many of us to get involved and also informs the public about Cancer Council SA's life-changing cancer research, prevention and support programs. Programs made possible because of generous people like you. Let's make the most of this opportunity to help research and support the Cancer Foundation. On the morning there will be :

Morning tea.
Guest Speaker: Theme "Living with Cancer".
Raffle prizes will be drawn.
Bookings will assist seating and catering.
Secure your seat by donating \$5.
Raffle tickets available.
If you cannot join us a donation would be appreciated. RSVP: Sunday 19th May.
Vivi 0439 430 486 or Betty 0423 635 400

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.

LAUDATO SI WEEK
19th – 26th May
HEARING THE CRY OF THE EARTH AND THE CRY OF THE POOR

On 24th May, 2015, Pope Francis issued his encyclical letter on caring for our common home,



Laudato Si'. Each year, Laudato Si' Week gives us an opportunity to renew our commitment to respond to the *cries of the earth and the cries of the poor*. Our Vinnies Winter Appeal and our Comoro Garage sale are part of our response

and this week we are thinking of Bees and their role in Biodiversity.

PARISH COLLECTION
11th & 12th April

1st (Presbytery) \$ 957.55
2nd (Parish) \$ 1356.10

VICTOR MORNING TEA
26th May

W. & J. Baker
2nd June
L. Sunman & P. Chigwidden

VICTOR MEET & GREET
May Saturdays

M. Farmer, H. Anderson
May Sundays
R. Reid, L. Sunman

GOOLWA MEET & GREET
May P. Kennelly

May MORNING TEA
M. Burfitt, P. Stone, A. Fawknor

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP
Practice 3.00pm Wednesday.
Claire Williams 0429 008 199

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM PENTECOST SUNDAY Yr.B-2

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

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.

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.

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.

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PATRONESS OF AUSTRALIA 25TH MAY 2024



Pope Pius VII established the feast in honour of Our Lady Help of Christians in 1815. After being imprisoned by Napoleon Bonaparte, he established the feast in thanksgiving for his release. Australia, a

new colony at that time, had no Catholic priests and therefore no Mass available. The faithful recited and relied on the Rosary to sustain the Catholic community. In 1844, Australia became the first country in the world to have Mary Help of Christians as Patroness.

From *Entrusting Australia to Mary Help of Christians, 2020.*

BEES and BIODIVERSITY WORLD BEE DAY 20TH May

There are over 20,000 species of bee that exist globally and Australia is home to around 2,000 species of native bee.



Native bees have co-evolved with our unique native flora over thousands of years.

Some species of plant can only be pollinated by a particular species of bee. In the absence of pollination, the plant species cannot reproduce so if that bee species dies, so too will the plant.

Without bees, biodiversity is at risk.
Check out flowers that bees love.

<https://www.gardendesign.com/flowers/bees.html>

KNIGHTS SOUTHERN CROSS REPORT MAY 2024



DONATIONS

The order donated \$200 to the Whalers group assisting the homeless in our area.

FUNDRAISING

We currently have the new 45 club series which Robert Lee is now organising. Our wine raffle won by

Goolwa: Peter Sullivan.

Victor: Dodge Farmer, Maureen's husband.

Congratulations to you both.

REPORT FR. VINH We are hoping that Fr. Dean Marin, our Vicar General, may be able to come down next week to discuss how Fr. Vinh is going in early days of his treatment and to discuss further running of the parish whilst Father is away.

Parishioners can be assured we will be in touch with the church office to get regular news on Fr. Vinh's health so as to give regular updates on his progress. In the meantime, our members are all praying for return to good health for Fr. Vinh and we know all in the parish join us in that prayer.

ANNIVERSARY Mike Bilston, our former member, who passed away on 29th May 2013.

BBQ Our May BBQ raised \$64.35. Thanks to all for your support or donation for the day. The next bbq is on 2nd June.

MEETING Our next meeting is on 15th May at Goolwa at 4 pm.

ALL ENQUIRIES RING PAUL ON 0402 852 825.

VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

Donation envelopes are available at St Joan's and St John's this weekend. If you can make a contribution, please either take an envelope and return your donation to the following week's 2nd collection, or go online www.vinnies.org.au or phone 13 18 12. *All donations go to South Coast people.* Thank you for caring!



ENCOUNTER BY EMAIL

If you are normally on the Encounter email list and haven't received your Encounter this week please ring Fran Hanna.

PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE AND THE HOLY LAND



THIS WEEK: 18th & 19th May

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: T. White

R.1 L. Blacket

R.2 C. Huppatz

EMHC M. Farmer

Sunday 11am

Commentator: P. O'Brien

R. 1 S. Duong

R. 2 K. Dudley

EMHC L. Sunman

GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: M. Riddle

R. 1 E. Bourne

R. 2 M. Riddle

EMHC T. Siciliano



NEXT WEEK: 25th & 26th May

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: L. Blacket

R.1 J. Jeffery

R.2 B. Bullen

EMHC E. O'Shaughnessy

Sunday 11am

Commentator: F. Hanna

R. 1 T. Hounslow

R. 2 A. Williss

EMHC K. Dudley

GOOLWA 9am

Commentator: V. Scrivera

R. 1 M. Mulvihill

R. 2 L. Healey

EMHC R. Austin

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RAMINDJERI land

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

• PARISH PRIEST

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• PARISH MANAGERS

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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)
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)

DID YOU KNOW?

- The reason why the disciples were in Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost was that they were celebrating the Jewish Harvest Festival which occurs fifty days after the Passover. This festival also celebrated the covenant made by God with the people of Israel on Mt Sinai.
- The Christian feast of Pentecost is fifty days after Easter Sunday and marks the culmination and closure of the Lent- Easter-Pentecost cycle.
- The word for spirit in Hebrew is the feminine 'ruah', meaning literally breath, wind or air.

MAKING CONNECTIONS

Are there people you still have 'many things to say to'? Is it important that such things are said?

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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 15:26-27, 16:12-15

Jesus said to his disciples:

‘When the Advocate comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father, he will be my witness. And you too will be witnesses, because you have been with me from the outset.

‘I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now. But when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth, since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will tell you of the things to come. He will glorify me, since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said: All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.’

THE LANGUAGE OF ANGELS

Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As I have been sent, even so I send you.” And when he had said this, he breathed on them, “Receive the Holy Spirit.”

Consider the deep peace of Christ. The shalom of God in Hebrew means more than freedom from anxiety. Shalom is the fullness of God’s blessings, joy, and satisfaction, a life without need. To have the peace of Christ is to have it all. Nothing interrupts this abundance.

You know you live in the peace of Christ when nothing can harm you. The loss of a job means God has something new to offer you. Loneliness becomes the soil of contemplation, from which new life will come. Illness becomes a means of polishing your soul to a brilliant

witness. The death of a loved one is sorrow mixed with the hope of reunion in God’s reign. Compassion becomes natural, forgiveness the first response to injury. You face life with freedom, others with love, and death with confidence.

The peace of Christ comes to us in ‘angel-speak,’ words rich in meaning. We can hear the words, Peace be with you, like we do most greetings: as a salutation of little impact. Or we can receive these words in full knowledge that Christ isn’t saying hello here, but means to give us something vital. The peace of Christ is our environment, as native to us as sea is to fish. We live in this peace. We breathe it in and let it out.

KIDS’ CORNER

When my baby nephew was baptised, he cried so loudly that it reminded me of that “strong driving wind” at Pentecost. You might wonder how a baby could cry when the Holy Spirit is present. But all my nephew knew was that he’d been awakened from a nice, cosy sleep with cold water getting poured on his head. That’s true for most babies. But I’m like that sometimes too, especially when times are tough. The Holy Spirit might be trying to guide me, but I can’t hear because I’m too busy complaining. I need to stop, pray and listen for God’s voice. How about you? Can you relax a little today and listen to what God might be saying to you?

THIS WEEK’S READINGS

(20 - 26 May)

- **Monday, 20:** The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church (Gen 3:9-15, 20; Jn 19:25-34)
- **Tuesday, 21:** Weekday, Ord Time 7 (James 4:1-10; Mk 9:30-37)
- **Wednesday, 22:** Weekday, Ord Time 7 (James 4:13-17; Mk 9:38-40)
- **Thursday, 23:** Weekday, Ord Time 7 (James 5:1-6; James 3:13-18; Mk 9:41-50)
- **Friday, 24:** OUR LADY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS (Prov 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; James 3:13-18; Lk 1:39-56)
- **Saturday, 25:** Weekday, Ord Time 7 (James 5:13-20; Mk 10:13-16)
- **Sunday 26:** The Most Holy TRINITY (Deut 4:32-34, 39-40; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20)

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 0438 364 870.