



# Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

25<sup>th</sup> 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

*Wisdom 2:12, 17-20*

The godless say to themselves:

'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing.

'Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have.

If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies.

Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof.

Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after – we have his word for it.'

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 53:3-6, 8*

*The Lord upholds my life.*

### SECOND READING

*James 3:16-4:3*

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also

makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*2 Thess 2:14*

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!*

### GOSPEL

*Mark 9:30-37*

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his

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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 McCoey, Len Peake, Neil Cumming, Mollie Davis, David Lee, Evelyn Liston, Ann Hannagan, Cath Howard, Trudi McNamara, Allen Odgers Elizabeth Nance, J. Millar, Rose 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

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Julie Bradley

## PARISH COLLECTION 14th & 15th September

1st (Presbytery) \$1142.45  
2nd (Parish) \$1114.75

Direct Debit Details :  
BSB 085 005 A/C 489786431

## VICTOR MORNING TEA 22nd September

W. & J. Baker  
29th September  
F. Hanna, M. Cunningham

## VICTOR MEET & GREET September Saturdays

M. Farmer & E. O'Connell  
September Sundays  
R. Reid & M. Cunningham

## GOOLWA MEET & GREET September

L. Clayson

## MORNING TEA

September C. May,  
A. Turner, V. Attard.

## ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice 3.00pm Wednesday.  
Claire Williams 0429 008 199

## HOLY FATHER'S 2024 PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER: FOR THE CRY OF THE EARTH:

Let us pray that each of us listens with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit.



## WORLD DAY OF PEACE 21<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024

*Jesus you said: My peace I leave to you, my peace I give to you.*

*Send your peace into our hearts that peace in our world may prevail.*

## FRANCIS THE DISRUPTOR

is the name of the Compass episode about Pope Francis to be aired this Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September ABC TV, 6.30pm.

## V. H. CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP FUNDRAISER DINNER.

To be held on 3rd Oct at the Church of Christ Hall at V.H. with a 6.00 pm start. Guest speaker Zahna Manley a chaplain at VH High, and local youth group leader. The menu is a choice of tasty hot meals with crusty bread followed by a delicious desert. A \$20 donation would be greatly appreciated to support this vital work.. Regret no Eftpos available. To book phone Betty on 0413 947 218.

## HOUSE NEEDED FOR RENT



A local parishioner and his family are requiring a long term house to rent in the area.

Please contact him on 0421 042 129 if you can help.

## GRATITUDE

Father Vinh gave us a homily several weeks back, encouraging us to be grateful at meal times and to say grace before we eat. Here is a simple prayer we may offer at this time.  
*Bless us, O Lord, and these, your gifts, which we are about to receive from your bounty. We pray for those who lack and those who come to their aid. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

## FUNERAL OF JULIE BRADLEY

Julie's funeral will be held at St Joan's on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 10.30am. May Julie rest in peace after a long illness. Our prayers and sympathy are with Ken and the family.



*Sometimes the actions we take in our lives seem so small compared to the size of the problem of climate change.*

*Researchers provide us with evidence that burning of fossil fuels - coal, natural gas and oil - is helping to warm the earth and change our climate. Not everyone agrees with this assessment but*

*Pope Francis voices his concern in a new encyclical Laudate Deum.*

*You might like to consider joining others in asking for a Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty*  
*Check the insert*

*for more information or go to*  
<https://fossilfuel treaty.org/faith-letter#faith-letter>

## MORNING MIST

The mist sits gently  
On water rippling yet still  
I greet the morning

Pelicans glide smoothly  
Stand tall reflect sun's bright ray  
I welcome the day

I read the gentle sky  
And hope for calm tomorrows  
May all enjoy this way

Di Shearer

## NEXT SUNDAY WE WILL CELEBRATE World Day of Migrants and Refugees

which is observed every year on the last Sunday of September. Here in Australia migrants and refugees have made an enormous contribution to our country and to our Church. So, we would like to celebrate. You might like to

1. Wear the costume or colours of your mother country.
2. Bring along something for morning tea that reminds you of your heritage.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL** wishes to advise of the resignation of Sharon Duong as Secretary to the Council. The Council thanks Sharon for the great job she has done in her time as secretary for the group, as well as her involvement in many issues we deal with and her friendly manner towards all on the Council. Well done Sharon you will be sadly missed. Until the Parish Assembly in October Marilyn Freeborn from Goolwa has kindly offered to take the minutes for our next two meetings.

# Bulletin Board



## RESPONSORIAL PSALM 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### *The Lord upholds my life*

O God, save me by your name;  
by your power, uphold my cause.  
O God, hear my prayers;  
listen to the words of my mouth.

For proud men have risen against me,  
ruthless men seek my life.  
They have no regard for God.

But I have God for my help.  
The Lord upholds my life.  
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart  
and praise your name for it is good.



## Saint Vincent De Paul September 27th (1581- 1660)



was a French priest who dedicated his life to helping the poor and is considered one of the most important figures in the history of charity. He was canonised by Pope Clement X in 1737 and declared the patron saint of all charitable works. We ask him to bless the members of our Vincent de Paul Conference and we thank them for their dedicated service.

## EXCURSIONS DURING SEPTEMBER SEASON OF CREATION

Nangawooka Native Garden  
Three parishioners from St Joan's spent a wonderful afternoon in the Nangawooka Native Garden found at the roundabout at the beginning of the Ring Road across from Urumbirra. The variety of native plants with different shapes, different colours was a feast for the soul. We can thoroughly recommend a visit – a great spot for a picnic with a sheltered rotunda available.



## OUR GENEROUS WORMS gave us enough worm juice for



12 x 2-litre containers with orders for more!! Total raised \$60 plus an earlier \$50 brings it up to \$110 over approximately 6 months. Thanks to those who contribute their scraps and recycle their milk containers.

## KSC ANNUAL LUNCHEON on October 17th at Goolwa Church Hall from 12.00 noon.

This year we have two speakers, both from our own community. Des Wallace will speak on his many years driving freight trains in the far north, which may sound dull, but not if you're a rail fan. Des tells us he has some hilarious stories to tell. Sounds great. Our other speaker is Michael Riddle who will speak on his recent visit to America and especially his visit to Graceland, the home of the late King of Rock, Elvis Presley. Michael's wife Marie will support him with some great photo shots.

**DETAILS:** \$20 a head

Drinks: BYO - bring own glasses.

A combined mixed grill with lovely salad will be supplied.

**Enquiries: Paul 0402 852 825.**

**Bookings open Sun. 16th September.**

## KSC ANNIVERSARIES SEPTEMBER

1st Sept . 1999 Joe O'Shaughnessy who was a 60 year member of the Knights  
15th Sept . 2007 Bernie Rush who also was a great worker for the order for 54 years.  
4th Sept 2004 J.H. (Jim ) 47 years.  
Recent anniversary Ian Reid, a former vice-president.

**GOOLWA SECONDARY COLLEGE** will be having French exchange students for 12 weeks in mid-term next year. If we have any one from our parish interested to billet them over that time it would be of great assistance . Please ring Belinda Smith at the College on 7505 4027 for further information.

## SOUTH COAST CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY CARE

We received call from Michael on behalf of this care group asking us to thank our parish for its great support with food. Well done everyone.



The Archbishop of Adelaide's Charity supporting special projects for Aboriginal Catholic Ministry in South Australia,  
Hutt Street Centre, St Patrick's Special School, Our Lady of La Vang Special School & Centacare Family Services.

**Envelopes for Catholic Charities can be placed on the collection plate or donations can be made online at [www.adelaide.catholic.org.au](http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au)**

## PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE & THE HOLY LAND



## THIS WEEK: 21st & 22nd September

### VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

**Commentator:** E. O'Shaughnessy

**R.1** C. Sutherland

**R.2** M. Mulvihill

**EMHC** E. O'Connell

### Sunday 11am

**Commentator:** F. Hanna

**R. 1** R. Klecko

**R. 2** A. Williss

**EMHC** L. Sunman

### GOOLWA 9am

**Commentator:** Marie Riddle

**R. 1** L. Healey

**R. 2** Michael Riddle

**EMHC** A. Turner



## NEXT WEEK: 28th & 29th September

### VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

**Commentator:** C. Huppertz

**R.1** C. Sutherland

**R.2** B. Bullen

**EMHC** J. Jeffery

### Sunday 11am

**Commentator:** R. Klecko

**R. 1** L. Sunman

**R. 2** P. O'Brien

**EMHC** F. Hanna

### GOOLWA 9am

**Commentator:** P. Kennelly

**R. 1** M. Mulvihill

**R. 2** R. Lee

**EMHC** S. Muller



## VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA PARISH

NGARRINDJERI and  
RAMINDJERI land

### CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE

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### PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

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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](mailto: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?

- Capernaum was a town on the northern shore of the Sea of Galilee. It was the home town of Peter and some of the other apostles. Jesus used Capernaum as his 'home base' during his ministry in the region of Galilee. The 'house' referred to in this text may well have been the house of Simon Peter, where we know Jesus spent time (Mk 1:29).
- In the ancient world, children had no status at all but Jesus puts a child before them and embraces him in welcome. This is another gesture of reversal.

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disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

### ANGELS ALL ROUND

(Mark 9:30- 37)

*Jesus put a child in the middle of the room. Then, cradling the little one in his arms, he said, "Whoever embraces one of these children as I do embraces me, and far more than me – God who sent me." (Mark 9: 36 - 37)*

Mark had just gotten off a suburban train when an older woman came up to him and asked for directions. She was supposed to meet a friend who was taking a particular bus to a particular spot near the train station. Her English was a little broken, and the instructions her friend had given were less than complete.

Mark walked with her to what he thought was the nearest bus stop, but he wasn't sure it was the right place. He was beginning to feel he was not really helping. While they were staring at the bus stop sign and trying to figure out what to do, they saw someone crossing the street coming toward them. She was a young woman, probably in her 20s, who was living with Down syndrome. "What are you looking for?" she asked.

"This woman's friend told her she was taking the 250 bus, but we're not sure we're at the right stop," Mark said.

"Oh," the young woman said, "you want the stop around the corner. I take that bus all the time to work." Mark had forgotten about that bus stop. They thanked the young person, and just as quickly as she appeared, she disappeared around the corner. Mark directed the older woman to where she needed to be. In a small way, he felt God had sent a messenger that day.

### KIDS' CORNER

*Jesus sat down and summoned the Twelve. "So you want first place? Then take the last place. Be the servant of all." (Mark 9:35)*

Imagine you've been waiting in line for an hour to ride the new roller coaster at your favourite amusement park. You reach the front of the line, and suddenly there's an announcement: Everyone at the back of the line gets to go on first! You'd feel pretty cheated, wouldn't you?

It's okay to feel that way about a ride, but here's what God wants us to remember about the really important things in life: When we put the needs of others first and begin to care about them as much as we care about ourselves, we are living and acting like Jesus.

Jesus, help me put others first. Amen.

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(September 23 - 29)

- **Monday, 23:** St Pius (Prov 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18)
- **Tuesday, 24:** Weekday, Ord Time 25 (Prov 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21)
- **Wednesday, 25:** Weekday, Ord Time 25 (Prov 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6)
- **Thursday, 26:** Weekday, Ord Time 25 (Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9)
- **Friday, 27:** St Vincent de Paul (Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22)
- **Saturday, 28:** Weekday, Ord Time 25 (Eccl 11:9-12:8; Lk 9:43-45)
- **Sunday 29:** 26<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY in ORD TIME (Num 11:25-29; James 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48)

### 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.