



# Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

**PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION  
of the LORD - 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

*Isaiah 50:4-7*

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple.

The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24*

*My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?*

## SECOND READING

*Philippians 2:6-11*

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to

accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Phil 2:8-9*

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!  
Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross.  
Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names.*

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!*

## GOSPEL

*Mk 14:1-15:47 (Heavily abridged)*

They lead Jesus out to crucify him ... They brought him to the place called Golgotha, which means the place of the skull. They offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he refused it. Then they crucified him, and shared out his clothing, casting lots to decide what each should get.

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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 Jan Henderson, J. Millar, Rose Munro, Andrew Nichols, John Slagter, Patricia Harris, William Ash, Eloise Ash,

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Tim & Kath Kennelly  
Kevin Higgins

**PARISH COLLECTION**  
**March 16th & 17th**

1st (Presbytery) \$948.90  
2nd (Parish) \$1,030.70

**VICTOR MORNING TEA**  
**24th March**  
F. Hanna & L. McCallum  
No Morning Tea Easter Sunday

**VICTOR MEET & GREET**  
**April Saturdays**  
M. Farmer, E. O'Connell  
**April Sundays**  
R. Reid, J. Baker

**GOOLWA MEET & GREET**  
**April** D. Wilkinson

**MARCH MORNING TEA**  
T. Siciliano, J. Dunthorne,  
J. McMahon

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

**HOLY FATHER'S 2024 PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MARCH:**

**FOR NEW MARTYRS:** Let us pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue the Church with their courage and missionary drive.



**GOSPEL REFLECTION 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.

**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.

**COMORO REQUEST**

We have been asked if we could help with artist brushes and soccer boots for Comoro young people. Please find boxes in the back of the Church where you can leave your gifts. Many thanks.



**MECHANICAL ENGINEERS**

We want to let everyone know that we are an equal opportunity employer and that both men and women are welcome to our work morning at St Joan's on the second Wednesday of the month and to our morning cuppa which follows. Time to start: 9.30am  
Look forward to seeing you there.



**2024 COMMISSIONING SERVICE FOR PASTORAL CARE WORKERS IN SOUTH COAST SCHOOLS**

A welcoming celebration and prayer service in support of school chaplaincy at Goolwa Uniting Church, 1 Collingwood St, Goolwa on Sat. April 6th, 6.30 till 7.30 pm. Informal supper and cup of tea and time of connection after the service.

**VICTOR HARBOR IS ALSO HOSTING AN EASTER DAWN SERVICE**

on Kent Reserve beginning at **6.30am** and presented by the South Coast Ministry Group which represents the churches across our region and is made up of 12 different ministers including Father Vinh. After the service a hot breakfast including coffee will be provided by the Salvation Army for a small cost.



**PROJECT COMPASSION**



*This Lent we have heard from three women who have benefited from our Project Compassion*

*offerings in the past – Memory, 26 from Malawi, who returned to study and became a carpenter, Ronita from the Philippines, who was able to return to her studies and get a job to support her family, Leia from Samoa who had a water tank installed.*

*Let us keep up our generosity and make positive change possible for future recipients.*

*You can donate* through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](https://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.

**NEWS FROM ST JOHN'S**

Lennie has now retired and handed on the leadership role of the Rosary to Anne Turner and Rosemary Austin. We are so appreciative of all that Lennie has given in her faithful service as our Rosary leader every Wednesday morning. It is wonderful Lennie will still be with us to support us in our Rosary prayer and everyone is most welcome to join us every Wednesday 9:00 am before the start of Mass. Thank you again Lennie for your leadership.



**Have you noticed some cushions in the church?** These have been graciously given to us to use by our very special, kind-hearted, Vivi! The cushions may support the back or comfort when sitting or kneeling. And the children coming to services may like to hold, kneel or rest on them! Not sure where the cushions are, just ask a choir member. They are finding them most helpful!  
Thank you very much Vivi for caring for us!

**SUNRISE SERVICE GOOLWA**

This service will be held on Sunday March 31st at the later time than usual of **7.15am**. The service usually lasts about 45 minutes and is followed by a fish breakfast. It is an inspiring event over the river at the breaking of dawn to celebrate the risen Christ. Grassed waterfront area at the Aquatic Club - 90 Barrage Road, Goolwa Ring Paul Kennelly for further details. 0402 852 825.



# Bulletin Board



## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of the LORD, Yr. B**

*My God, my God, why have You abandoned me?*

All who see me deride me.  
They curl their lips, they toss their heads.  
'He trusted in the Lord, let Him save him;  
let Him release him if this is his friend.'

Many dogs have surrounded me,  
a band of the wicked beset me.  
They divide my clothing among them.  
They cast lots for my robe.  
O Lord, do not leave me alone,  
my strength, make haste to help me!

I will tell of Your name to my brethren  
and praise You where they are assembled.  
'You who fear the Lord give him praise;  
all sons of Jacob, give Him glory.  
Revere him, Israel's sons.'



## PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of the LORD



So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!"

Today we commemorate Christ's entry into Jerusalem for the completion of the Paschal Mystery.

The Palm Sunday procession is formed of Christians who, in the "fullness of faith," make their own the gesture of the Jews and endow it with its full significance. Following the Jews' example we proclaim Christ as a Victor... Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord.

But by our faith we know, as they did not, all that His triumph stands for. He is the Messiah, the Son of David and the Son of God ... He underwent His Passion, the punishment for our sins, but issues forth triumphant from the tomb, the victor over death, making our peace with God and taking us with Him into the kingdom of His Father in heaven. *Catholic Culture*

## GOOD FRIDAY HOLY PLACES APPEAL

The Annual collection for the support of the Church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday, 29th March. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment, housing, parishes, and orphanages. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus.



**DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS ON SUNDAY  
7th April 2024**

## MASS TIMES

### FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

#### Holy Thursday

Goolwa 6.00pm  
Victor Harbor 7.30pm

#### Good Friday

*Stations of the Cross*  
Goolwa 10.00am

#### *Liturgy*

Victor Harbor 2.00pm  
Goolwa 4.00pm

#### Holy Saturday

Goolwa 6.00pm  
Victor Harbor 8.00pm

#### Easter Sunday. (Normal Mass Times)

Goolwa 9.00am  
Victor Harbor 11.00am

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



## HOLY THURSDAY

**GOOLWA 6pm**

**Commentator:** D. Huppatz

**R.1** C. May

**R.2** P. Kennelly

**EMHC** T. Siciliano

**VICTOR 7.30pm**

**Commentator:** R. Klecko

**R.1** P. Clingan

**R.2** T. White

**EMCH** F. Hanna

## GOOD FRIDAY

**VICTOR 2pm**

**Commentator:** J. Ryan

**R.1** J. Jeffery

**R.2** B. Bullen

**Passion Readers:** C. Sutherland,  
J. Ryan

**GOOLWA 4.00pm**

**Commentator:** J. Ryan

**R.1** M. Freeborn

**R.2** V. Scriva

**Passion Readers:** L. Healey  
D. Huppatz

**EMHC** R. Austin

## HOLY SATURDAY (EASTER VIGIL)

**GOOLWA 6pm**

**Commentator:** Marie Riddle

**4 Readings**

Michael Riddle, V. Scriva,

D. Huppatz, J. Ryan,

**EMHC** M. Ryan

**VICTOR 8pm**

**Commentator:** F. Hanna

**4 Readings**

L. Blacket, J. Ryan,

E. O'Shaughnessy, C. Huppatz

**EMHC** J. Baker

## EASTER SUNDAY

**GOOLWA 9am**

**Commentator:** P. Kennelly

**R. 1** E. Bourne

**R. 2** L. Healey

**EMHC** S. Muller

**VICTOR 11am**

**Commentator:** P. Clingan

**R. 1** W. Baker

**R. 2** K. Proctor

**EMHC** E. O'Connell

## VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA PARISH

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RAMINDJERI land

### CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE

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### PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

#### • PARISH PRIEST

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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?

- Golgotha is a Semitic word which means 'skull'. The name Calvary comes from the Latin translation of 'skull'. It is likely that the name comes from the habitual use of the site for executions.
- Passion or Palm Sunday is the beginning of what is known as Holy Week, a period of intense preparation for the ceremonies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil.
- The Passion of Christ refers to his arrest, trial and death.

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It was the third hour when they crucified him. The inscription giving the charge against him read: 'The King of the Jews'. And they crucified two robbers with him, one on his right and one on his left.

The passers-by jeered at him; they shook their heads and said, 'Aha! So you would destroy the Temple and rebuild it in three days! Then save yourself: come down from the cross!' The chief priests and the scribes mocked him among themselves in the same way. 'He saved others,' they said, 'he cannot save himself. Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, for us to see it and believe.' Even those who were crucified with him taunted him.

When the sixth hour came there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachtani?' which means 'My God, my God, why have you deserted me?' When some of those who stood by heard this, they said, 'Listen, he is calling on Elijah.' Someone ran and soaked a sponge in vinegar and, putting it on a reed, gave it to him to drink saying, 'Wait and see if Elijah will come to take him down.' But Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

### THIS IS MY BODY

(Mark 14: 1 - 15: 47)

When we hear the words of Jesus at the Last Supper, we remember our Eucharist: Take, this is my body. But originally the words implied more than a ritual offering. Jesus offered his real flesh and blood to friends and persecutors alike. He surrendered his life in that hour. Nothing could be more generous, or more gentle. Yet those who seized his body and took his life were far from gentle. There is violence buried in the word "take." They took his body; and they slapped, spat at, mocked, whipped, pierced, and murdered him.

Today we look up at our sacrament and hear benevolent words: This is my body. The crucifix reveals the violence in those words, but all trace

of it is gone from our bread and wine. What was sacrifice is now food. What was suffering is salvation. What was meant to destroy has become the source of life. Jesus died on the cross, but nothing was lost there. God gathered up the fragments of that great offering, and made eternal food. When we take the body of Jesus now, it is with great reverence.

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### KIDS' CORNER

*Morning after morning he opens my ear that I may hear. (Isaiah 50: 4)*

When you woke up this morning, what did you hear? Birds chirping outside? Someone preparing breakfast? Sometimes sounds are so familiar, we hardly notice them. But sounds can be important, especially if they warn us of danger or teach us something new.

This week, as you hear the Sunday Gospel, listen to the sounds described: a jar of oil breaking, a rooster crowing, a crowd shouting, and then finally, silence. Think about these sounds this week, and pay attention to all you hear – especially the voices of people asking for help.

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### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(25 - 31 March)

- **Monday, 25:** MONDAY of HOLY WEEK (Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11)
- **Tuesday, 26:** TUESDAY of HOLY WEEK (Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38)
- **Wednesday, 27:** WEDNESDAY of HOLY WEEK (Is 50:4-9; Mt 26:14-25)
- **Thursday, 28:** THURSDAY of HOLY WEEK (Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15)
- **Friday, 29:** FRIDAY of the PASSION of the LORD (Is 52:13-53:12; Heb 4:14-16, 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42)
- **Saturday, 30:** HOLY SATURDAY (Easter readings)
- **Sunday 31:** EASTER SUNDAY of the RESURRECTION of the LORD (Acts 10:34, 37-43; 1 Cor 5:6-8; Jn 20:1-9)

### 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.