



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT -
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*A living, vibrant
faith community*

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VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT

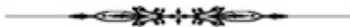
Our vision is to build a faith community, centred on the loving relationship of Father, Son and Holy Spirit, expressed in personal lives and in communal Parish activities.

IT IS OUR MISSION TO:

- Endeavour to develop relevant and prayerful Eucharistic celebrations.
- Foster the experience of a personal relationship with God.
- Provide faith formation opportunities for parishioners.
- Care for each other and the environment, particularly the sick, lonely, aged and disabled within our Parish.
- Care for our environment towards a sustainable future.

WE WILL:

- Reach out to those in need in the local community.
- Be committed to Catholic Social Justice principles.
- Pray and work together with Christian Churches and all people of goodwill.
- Protect and engage with young people in our local area.
- Strengthen bonds with indigenous people in our region.



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



FIRST READING

Joshua 5:9-12

The Lord said to Joshua, 'Today I have taken the shame of Egypt away from you.'

The Israelites pitched their camp at Gilgal and kept the Passover there on the fourteenth day of the month, at evening in the plain of Jericho. On the morrow of the Passover they tasted the produce of that country, unleavened bread and roasted ears of corn, that same day. From that time, from their first eating of the produce of that country, the manna stopped falling. And having manna no longer, the Israelites fed from that year onwards on what the land of Canaan yielded.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 33:2-7

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

For anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here. It is all God's work. It was God who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the work of handing on this reconciliation. In other words, God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, not holding men's faults against them,

and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. So we are ambassadors for Christ; it is as though God were appealing through us, and the appeal that we make in Christ's name is: be reconciled to God. For our sake God made the sinless one into sin, so that in him we might become the goodness of God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 15:18

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ! I will rise and go to my father and tell him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

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SPECIAL INTENTIONS (These names will be removed after one month. To keep names on this list please contact Parish Office)

Barbara Bond, John Wallace, Claire Hamish, Barry Wilks, Brian Smallacombe, Bob Willis, Bailey Smallacombe, Ann Tee, Peter Harris, Josephine Proctor, Charlie Nicolson, Bette Higgins, Paula Collinson, June Lloyd, Eileen McCoey, Carmen Kernahan, Margaret & Len Peake, Ron Harris, Neil Cumming, Clancy Retallick, Bob Jeffery.

ANNIVERSARIES

Ian Ferguson, Kevin Higgins, Graham Nicolson, Tim & Kath Kennelly

RECENTLY DECEASED

Tony Hudson, Pat Liddy

PARISH COLLECTION 19th & 20th March

1st (Presbytery) \$715.60
2nd (Parish) \$974.50

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER 1st & 8th April

W. & J. Baker & M.

VICTOR MORNING TEA 27th March

F. Hanna & M. Mattsson

3rd April

M. Cunningham & J. Andrews

VICTOR MEET & GREET March Saturdays

M. Farmer & M. Tuckey

March Sundays

R. Reid & F. Harris

GOOLWA MEET & GREET March

K. & A. Fawcner

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice time 2pm Wednesday

Call Claire Williams 0429 008 199

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS MARCH:

FOR A CHRISTIAN RESPONSE TO BIOETHICAL CHALLENGES

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges: may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.



EXPLORING THE GOSPEL WITH LECTIO DIVINA is held each Sunday night at 5pm in the Annex.

CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

We meet for Lectio Divina (Scripture Reflection) and meditation on Monday afternoons at 4.30. Please contact Anne Weygood for details. 0429 653 844.

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY

Groups meet fortnightly on Monday afternoons 2.00-4.00pm. Phone Rob & Jocelyne Randabel-Williamson on 0402 341 071.

THE CENACLE... You are invited to join us in The Cenacle held every Wednesday at 10am 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

THANK YOU from the **St Joan's Maintenance Group** to everyone who helped to move the furniture in the Annex for the carpet stretching. Many hands made light work.

DAYLIGHT SAVING finishes next Sunday 3rd April. Turn your clocks back.

NEIGHBOUR DAY MARCH 27TH Connecting Communities for 20 years

This Neighbour Day, *Relationships Australia* is reaching out to everyone across the nation to promote sustainable, respectful relationships and social connections. Loneliness and social isolation continue to affect the health and wellbeing of Australians. As members of a neighbourhood and also of a parish community, we want everyone to feel they belong and can rely on us to help where we can. Take some time today to reach out to a neighbour, a parishioner.

ST JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB FISH'N' CHIPS NIGHT

St Joan's Social Club will hold a fish'n'chips night on Friday 8th April at 6pm in the Annex. Cost \$15 per person. BYO glass & drinks.

Contact Pat Clingan 0410 593 617 or Colleen Pearsons 0405 634 744.

PLEASE REPLY BY MONDAY

4TH APRIL PHONE OR TXT.

PRAYER FOR BIODIVERSITY

Lord God, our Creator
all life forms that exist on
our sister mother earth
come from Your hands.
We praise You, our Lord,
for biodiversity!

Each species contributes,
in its own way to offer us, free of charge,
the interconnections that sustain, beautify,
dignify
and fill human life with
colours and meaning.
However, today we see the threat to the
diversity of life in our common home,
Teach us, Lord, to care for creation!
Inspire us to commit ourselves and engage
in concrete actions
to protect and conserve
every species on our planet.
Amen.



PROJECT COMPASSION For All Future Generations Fourth Sunday of Lent

Rosalie 44, is an ex-combatant who lives with her husband and seven children in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Forced to join the army when she was just 15-years-old, Rosalie experienced significant trauma and hardship during her years in the military. After she was demobilised from the army, Rosalie, like other ex-combatants, was left to fend for herself in the community. With your generous support and through our local partners, Rosalie was able to connect with other members of her community and participate in business skills training to help her to reintegrate into society.

You can donate through Project Compassion by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

4th SUNDAY of LENT, YR.C

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times,
His praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad.

Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us praise His name.
I sought the Lord and He answered me;
from all my terrors He set me free.

Look towards Him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called; the Lord heard him
and rescued him from all his distress.



SAINT FRANCIS OF PAOLA

(1416 – 1507)

St. Francis was born at Paola in Calabria; after living as a hermit for five years (from the age of fourteen to nineteen) he gathered around him some companions with whom he led the religious life. This was the origin of a new order, to which he gave the name of Minims, that is "the least" in the house of God. Pope Sixtus IV sent him to France to help Louis XI on his deathbed. He remained there and founded a house of his Minims at Tours.

UKRAINE AND RUSSIA DEDICATED TO MARY

Pope Francis devoted 25th March, the Feast of the Annunciation to the consecration of Ukraine and Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. This feast celebrates Mary's acceptance of the invitation to become the mother of Jesus. The gesture echoes the Pope's prayer on Ash Wednesday, *'May the Queen of Peace preserve the world from the madness of war'*. He invited all the Catholic Bishops of the world to join him in making the consecration.

**PRAY FOR THE
PEOPLE OF
UKRAINE**



HOLY WEEK TIMES

HOLY THURSDAY : 14th April

Goolwa - 6.00pm

Victor Harbor - 7.30pm

GOOD FRIDAY : 15th April

Stations of the Cross - Goolwa - 10.00am

Good Friday Service

Victor Harbor - 2.00pm

Goolwa - 4.00pm

HOLY SATURDAY VIGIL : 16th April

Goolwa - 6.00pm

Victor Harbor - 8.00pm

EASTER SUNDAY : 17th April

Goolwa - 9.00am

Victor Harbor - 11.00am

TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE

FRIDAY APRIL 1ST

A NIGHT OF PRAYER WITH A TAIZE BROTHER

6.00pm

A Gathering for Young Adults (18 -35)

Registration and Details

www.bpuc.org/taize2022

7.30pm

A public evening prayer

at

Brougham Place Uniting Church

North Adelaide

WE PRAY FOR OUR LEADERS

We have just had a state election and are soon to vote in a federal election.

This was Solomon's prayer as he ruled the nation of Israel – that he would have *"an understanding mind to govern the people"* (1 Kings 3:9).

We pray that our leaders will have wisdom to know what is right for the welfare of all citizens, particularly those who struggle in any way and what is best for the welfare of our land, our plants and animals.

Give them the strength and generosity to work for the good of all.

Give us the insight and courage to hold them to account.

Next Week: 26th & 27th March

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00 pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R1. B. Bullen

R. 2 L. Blackett

E.M. C. Sutherland

VICTOR HARBOR Sunday 11.00 am

Commentator: R. Klecko

R.1 A. Williss

R. 2 L. Sunman

E.M. M. Taylor

GOOLWA Sunday 9.00 am

Commentator: V. Scriva

R. 1 Marie Riddle

R. 2 Michael Riddle

E.M. M. Glazewski



Next Week: 2nd & 3rd April

VICTOR HARBOR 6.00 pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R1. J. Jeffery

R. 2 C. Sutherland

E.M. M. Farmer

VICTOR HARBOR Sunday 11.00 am

Commentator: P. O'Brien

R.1 T. Hounslow

R. 2 A. Williss

E.M. P. Clingan

GOOLWA Sunday 9.00 am

Commentator: P. Kennelly

R. 1 C. May

R. 2 L. Healey

E.M. S. Muller

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 22/3/22)

- As of March 12 there are no density limits for places of worship. Churches may return to full capacity.
- QR codes and/or handwritten logs are essential.
- Please keep in mind the importance of social distancing and good hygiene practices.
- Wearing of masks is mandatory. (A medical certificate must be produced on request, if claiming an exemption.)
- Attendees at indoor religious services may sing during worship, if they wear masks while doing so.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are encouraged not to attend.
- Obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage.

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Web: www.victorgoolwacatholic.org.au

PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

- **PARISH PRIEST**
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- **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 - ph 8552 1084 or 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 (Parish Office 8552 1084)
- **CSHW SA (Safety, Health & Welfare)**
Parish (Cathy May 0401 584 237)

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“When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, “How many of my father’s paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants.” So he left the place and went back to his father.

“While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son.” But the father said to his servants, “Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found.” And they began to celebrate.

“Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. “Your brother has come” replied the servant “and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound.” He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, “Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But, for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property – he and his women – you kill the calf we had been fattening.”

“The father said, “My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it was only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your

brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.””

COMING HOME

Think of a time when you’ve been unexpectedly, generously, undeservedly forgiven. I remember a dreadful day at university when I hurt my closest friend. Nadine was from a Pentecostal Christian tradition, and I, in a ham-fisted attempt to “defend the faith,” told her all about the theological errors as there were abundantly clear to me after twelve years or narrow-minded schooling. (Lucky for me, no one was in the room at the time to point out mine!) This “correction” caused my friend a great deal of pain, since I patently rejected her sincere walk with Jesus. I retired to my room feeling curiously awful about being very “right” about God. Thank God one of us understood something about the nature of Christianity. Later that evening, Nadine sought me out and put her arm around me. We both cried together about the spirit of self-righteousness that had made me willing to forsake our friendship. You don’t make that mistake twice in a lifetime. When you understand the love that’s yours in the arms of God, you don’t leave home again.

Lent is the season to get right with God and others. Only you know the places where your heart is broken. Sometimes we need to reconcile with people who have died. It’s never too late to forgive. *GPBS eNews*

THIS WEEK’S READINGS

(28 March - 03 April)

- **Monday, 28:** Monday, 4th week Lent (Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54)
- **Tuesday, 29:** Tuesday, 4th week Lent (Ezek 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-3, 5-16)
- **Wednesday, 30:** Wednesday, 4th week Lent (Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30)
- **Thursday, 31:** Thursday, 4th week Lent (Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47)
- **Friday, 01:** Friday, 4th week Lent (Wis 2:1, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30)
- **Saturday, 02:** Saturday 4th week Lent (Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-52)
- **Sunday, 03:** FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (Is 43:16-21; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11)

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.