



Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD -
YEAR C

*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

Acts 1:1-11

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God.

When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom of Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 46:2-3, 6-7, 8-9

God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:17-23

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ,

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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, Paula Collinson, June Lloyd, Eileen McCoey, Carmen Kernahan, Margaret & Len Peake, Ron & Patrine Harris, Neil Cumming, Clancy Retallick, Bob Jeffery, Ann & Kevin Hannagan

RECENTLY DECEASED

Garry Butterworth, Ross Ford

PARISH COLLECTION

21st & 22nd May

1st (Presbytery) \$678.45
2nd (Parish) \$831.45

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

3rd June

M. Farmer & C. Pearsons

10th & 17th June

W & J Baker, M. Cunningham

VICTOR MORNING TEA

29th May

M. Cunningham & J. Andrews

5th June

L. Sunman & P. Chigwidden

VICTOR MEET & GREET

June Saturdays

M. Farmer & M. Tuckey

June Sundays

R. Reid, J. Baker

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

June

S. & R. Lee

MORNING TEA June

P. Kennelly, M. O'Halloran, Joe Ryan

ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice time 2pm Wednesday

Call Claire Williams 0429 008 199

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR MAY

Faith-Filled Young People

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.



THE GOOLWA SOCIAL CLUB

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The future of our Social Club has been discussed and now is the time to make a decision. A meeting will be held on Monday 7th June at 1.30pm for all who may be interested in being involved. We will decide if we wish to revive the club, and if we do would we decide to join up with the Victor Social Club, who would happily welcome us. We could also decide to remain in Goolwa. If you would like to join up but are not able to get to the meeting please let Anne Turner, Anne Fawcner or Paul Kennelly know. If there is no interest in numbers the club will be folded. All money in the account will remain and be used for church maintenance or improvements.

BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Congratulations to the organisers of Biggest Morning Tea celebration held at St John's on Tuesday morning, Vivi Scriva from the Catholic community and Betty Feist from the Lutheran community – a winning combination with a hard-working team. Joe Ryan was our gallant MC.

We enjoyed a variety of savoury and sweet delights with tea and coffee and then were treated to a medley of songs by the very impressive St John's Music Group.

There were raffles and an auction to follow. Michael Riddle, himself a cancer survivor, reminded us of why we were there. He read from his own book *The Kanceroo* written for children with cancer in language that they can appreciate, treating the difficulties of cancer with encouragement and humour.

We heard about the *Goannanga*, the *Little R-egret* and the *Pitypus*. And there are many other poems. If you would like a copy of the book at a cost of \$5.00 see Marie Riddle at St John's or ring her on 0417 846 642.

All proceeds go to support the Cancer Council.

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

27th May to 3rd June

The days for Reconciliation Week commemorate two significant milestones in our reconciliation journey with our Aboriginal sisters and brothers:



- the successful 1967 referendum where the right to vote was given
- and the *High Court Mabo decision* which recognised the connection between land, identity and continuity of family and community felt by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

In the document **The Uluru Statement from the Heart**, our First Nations peoples have asked for two more milestones:

- a *Voice to Parliament*, i.e., an opportunity to be consulted on legislation that affects them and
- *Formal Recognition* of their existence in our Constitution.

Sorry Day on 26th May also reminds us of the suffering of the Stolen Generation as we strive to move forward, creating a nation strengthened by respectful relationships between the wider Australian community and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. reconciliation.org.au Our Aboriginal Catholics have their own website: <http://www.natsicc.org.au/>

You may like to attend **NUNGA SCREEN** at **Victa Cinemas**

Tuesday May 31st at 2pm and 7pm.

It is a FREE celebration of First Nations film and culture during National Reconciliation Week. It is a series of very short films including our own Cedric Varcoe, a Ramindjeri elder who shares his art and what inspires it.

You can buy a ticket online at countryarts.org.au or at the box office.

PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH SPECIAL COLLECTION

Through the offerings of Catholics worldwide, the Propagation of the Faith provides ongoing support for the pastoral and evangelizing programs of the Catholic Church in Africa, Asia, the Islands of the Pacific and remote regions of Latin America. This includes aid for the education and support of seminarians, Religious novices and lay catechists; for the work of Religious Communities in education, health care and social services; for communication and transportation needs, and for disaster and emergency relief when necessary.

Bulletin Board



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The ASCENSION of the LORD YR.C.

**God mounts His throne to shouts of joy:
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

All peoples, clap your hands,
cry to God with shouts of joy!

For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear,
great king over all the earth.....

God goes up with shouts of joy;

the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.

Sing praise for God, sing praise,

sing praise to our king, sing praise.....

God is king of all the earth.

Sing praise with all your skill.

God is king over the nations;

God reigns on His holy throne.



ST JOAN OF ARC

Feast Day: May 30th

God of justice and compassion, you raised



up your daughter Joan of Arc
as the brave Maid of France
and defender of her people.
Inspired by her courage and
trust in your will, we pray that
we may be compassionate,

serving you by serving those in need. Give us
strength to pursue the path of love and jus-
tice. Give us courage to live with unwavering
faith and to speak the truth always. Keep us
in your grace throughout our lives. We make
this prayer through Christ, our Lord, Amen.

St Joan of Arc, pray for us.

REFLECTION OF THE ASCENSION

The Ascension doesn't
represent Jesus' removal
from the earth.

It represents His
liberation from all

restrictions of time and
space so that He can be
present everywhere on
earth. Stay with us Lord,

and let your presence inflame our hearts and
raise your spirits so that we may journey
towards your kingdom with undimmed hope.

This feast is as much about us as about
Jesus. We live in the hope that the words of
Jesus will come through for us. We today
live in the hope that we can also enter into
God's kingdom as Jesus did. Meanwhile, we
have a task to do: To preach the Good News
and to be his witnesses in the world today.



PRAY FOR THE PLENARY COUNCIL

*("More things are brought about by prayer
than this world dreams of.")*

4 WEEKS TO GO



Breathe in us

O Holy Spirit,

**that our thoughts may all
be holy.**

Act in us O Holy Spirit,

that our work, too, may be holy.

Draw our hearts O Holy Spirit,

that we love only what is holy.

Strengthen us O Holy Spirit,

to defend all that is holy.

Guard us, then, O Holy Spirit,

that we always may be holy. Amen.

St Augustine of Canterbury 6th Century

KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS



100 Years of Service

Celebrations on 28th and 29th May

The principal motivating factor for the
founding of the Order in Australia was to fight
against the sectarian issues affecting the
employment opportunities of
Irish-Australian Catholics.

Changing times saw an adjustment in the
work of the Knights. Their mandate now

includes conducting and supporting
educational, charitable, religious and social
welfare work. They founded Southern Cross
Care (which runs McCracken Views, Victor,
and Sandpiper Lodge, Goolwa) and provide
annual Year 12 scholarships to city and
country students. They also support many
other worthwhile causes. Faith formation is
an important part of their meetings.

**Our congratulations and thanks go to our
own band of Knights for their faithful
service.** Southern Cross

**The Feast of St Joan of Arc, our Patron
Saint is on this Monday 30th May, please
come and celebrate Mass at 9am and have
a cuppa at Fr Vinh's home.**

PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE



THIS WEEK 28th & 29th May

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: J. Ryan

R.1 C. Huppatz

R.2 C. Sutherland

E.M. S. Duong

Sunday 11.00am

Commentator: P. O'Brien

R. 1 P. Clingan

R. 2 T. Hounslow

E.M. M. Cunningham

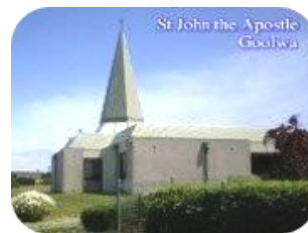
GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: Marie Riddle

R. 1 M. Mulvihill

R. 2 Michael Riddle

E.M. R. Austin



NEXT WEEK 4th & 5th June

VICTOR HARBOR Saturday 6pm

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 J. Ryan

R.2 C. Sutherland

E.M. E. O'Connell

Sunday 11.00am

Commentator: R. Klecko

R. 1 L. Sunman

R. 2 S. Duong

E.M. P. Clingan

GOOLWA 9.00am

Commentator: P. Kennelly

R. 1 G. Byrne

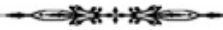
R. 2 R. Lee

E.M. S. Muller

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 24/05/22)

- If you have tested positive for COVID-19, please follow the SA Health instructions in regard to isolating and other government health protocols. Stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- There are now no density limits for places of worship; Churches can return to full capacity.
- Masks are highly recommended by the Archdiocese.
- R codes or sign-ins are no longer required.
- Attendees at indoor religious services may sing during worship.
- Please keep in mind the importance of social distancing and good hygiene practices.
- Hand sanitizer is available at Church entrances.
- There should be no shaking of hands or holding hands during Mass.



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- **PARISH TREASURER**
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Email: parish_treasure@bigpond.com
- **CHILD PROTECTION**
Child Protection Unit (8210 8159)
Goolwa (Cathy May 0401 584 237)
Victor Harbor (Parish Office 8552 1084)

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when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named not only in this age but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 28:19, 20

Alleluia, alleluia!

Go and teach all people my gospel.

I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 24:46-53

Jesus said to his disciples, 'You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.

'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high.'

Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.



NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

27th May - 3rd June

Prime Minister Anthony Albanese has, on behalf of the Australian Labor Party, committed to the Uluru Statement from the Heart in full.

A recognition and understanding of past and present injustice, particularly that which shapes attitudes and institutions is essential for Reconciliation.

Sorry Day (26 May) and Reconciliation Week (27 May – 3 June) are two aspects of the same mission. Sorry

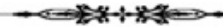
Day marks one of the worst episodes in the mistreatment of Indigenous Australians by the descendants of the colonial invaders. It records the forced removal on ideological grounds of children from Indigenous families and the lasting suffering inflicted both on the children and their families.

Sorry Week was initiated in 1998 after the publication of the Bringing Them Home Report. It led eventually to the Apology to the Stolen Generations in 2008 and the Parliamentary commitment to close the gap between the lives of Indigenous and other Australians.

In 2022 the theme of [Reconciliation Week](#) urges us to be brave, make change. It calls on Indigenous Australians to be assertive in recognising and insisting on their right to equal respect before the law and in its administration and institutions.

Being brave and making change also involves courage from other Australians in acknowledging systemic discrimination against Indigenous Australians and pressing for change. Words carefully crafted to avoid offense are not enough.

Humility comes from seeking and knowing the truth. It is important that people share the knowledge of past and present injustice, particularly that which, unseen, shapes attitudes and institutions. "Parish Life e-newsletter"



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(30 May - 05 June)

- **Monday, 30:** Monday, 7th week of Easter (Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33)
- **Tuesday, 31:** The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Zeph 3:14-18; Lk 1:39-56)
- **Wednesday, 01:** St Justin (Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11-19)
- **Thursday, 02:** Thursday, 7th week of Easter (Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26)
- **Friday, 03:** Charles Lwanga and companions (Acts 25:13-21; Jn 21:15-19)
- **Saturday, 04:** Saturday, 7th week of Easter (Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25)
- **Sunday 05:** PENTECOST SUNDAY (Acts 2:1-11; Rom 8:8-17; Jn 14:15-16, 23-26)

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.