



# Encounter

VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA CATHOLIC PARISH

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY -  
YEAR A

*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

*Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9*

With the two tablets of stone in his hands, Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the early morning as the Lord had commanded him. And the Lord descended in the form of a cloud, and Moses stood with him there.

He called on the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, 'Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger rich in kindness and faithfulness.' And Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshipped. 'If I have indeed won your favour, Lord,' he said 'let my Lord come with us, I beg. True, they are a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage.'

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Daniel 3:52-56*

*Glory and praise for ever!*

1. You are blest, Lord God of our fathers. (R) Blest your glorious holy name. (R)
2. You are blest in the temple of your glory. (R) You are blest on the throne of your kingdom. (R)
3. You are blest who gaze into the depths. (R) You are blest in the firmament of heaven (R)

## SECOND READING

*2 Corinthians 13:11-13*

Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow perfect; help one another. Be united; live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you.



Greet one another with the holy kiss. All the saints send you greetings.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Apoc 1:8*

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Glory to the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come.*

*Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

*John 3:16-18*

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life.

For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved.

No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.'

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## SPECIAL INTENTIONS

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

Geoff & Rose Munro,  
Tommy & Eileen McCoey,  
Mairead & Neil Cummings,  
Christine Fitzpatrick, Mary Ferguson,  
Pat Mezzino, Pat Chigwidden,  
Stephen Chalmers, Lourdes Carle,  
Sandy Lee, Tony Mawdsley,  
Janet Murray, Claire Galpin,  
Rosene Edwards, Vicki Cross,  
Gemma Woodhead, Mary Jacobson,  
Tanya Francis, Garry Hill, Les Hill,  
Geoff Chalmers, Eric Temme,  
Kevin and Cath Howard.

## ANNIVERSARIES

Dennis Edward Kennelly

## RECENTLY DECEASED

William James Sloan,  
Shirley Box

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## PARISH COLLECTION

### May 9th & 10th

1st (Presbytery) \$892.55

2nd (Parish) \$1237.35

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## VICTOR MORNING TEA

### 30th May

W. & J. Baker

### 7th June

L. Sunman & J. Davidge

## VICTOR MEET & GREET

### June Saturdays

H. Anderson

### June Sundays

R. Reid & A. Rose

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## GOOLWA MEET & GREET

### June

D. Wilkinson

## MORNING TEA

### June

C. Grimma, V. Attard.

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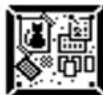
## ST JOHN'S MUSIC GROUP

Practice 3.00pm Wednesday.

Claire Williams 0429 008 199

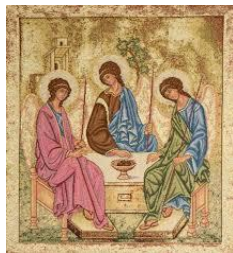
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**PRAY FOR THE  
PEOPLE OF UKRAINE  
and  
THE MIDDLE EAST**



# Bulletin Board

## OUR PARISH VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT CALLS US TO BE A REFLECTION OF THE TRINITY IN OUR WORLD TODAY



To build a faith community centred on  
the loving relationship of Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
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communal parish activities.

## MAY 31st – THE VISITATION

"O Mary, Virgin and Mother, we honour your humility,  
your charity, and your joyful faith.

May we, like you, bring Christ to others  
with joy, courage, and love.



## MARY OUR MOTHER by John Burlan

1. Mary our Mother you answered  
God's call.

We come to praise you today  
Mother of Jesus with Joseph you  
cared for Him.

We come to praise you today

**Chorus: Mother of Jesus be with  
us every day. We want to stay  
close to you always. You are our  
Mother. We are your children.  
Guide us in every way each day.  
Guide us in every way.**

2. Mary our Mother you live in  
Heaven.

We come to praise you today.  
Mother of Jesus hope for all people.  
We come to praise you today.

3. Mary our Mother lead us to  
Jesus.

We come to praise you today.  
Mother of Jesus, Mother to  
everyone.  
We come to praise you today

## WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY JUNE 5TH 2026

### A GLOBAL CALL FOR CLIMATE ACTION

Grant us the courage and wisdom to walk gently upon our  
land, to protect the vulnerable and to live sustainably so that  
all generations to come may flourish.

Fill us with a deep sense of stewardship,  
that we may be guardians of the earth  
and defenders of its beauty.



## FAREWELL TO JOE AND MAIRE RYAN

Thank you to Helen Taylor for providing the Irish music for our farewell  
morning tea and thanks to Vivi Scriva for the wonderful notice board showing  
Joe and Maire's activities during their time with us.

**A REQUEST:** A Victor resident, retired and not driving, would like to attend  
Mass on Sundays. She lives in Hayborough. If you can help speak to  
Pat Clingan or ring her on 0410 593 617.



## VINNIES - WINTER APPEAL ENVELOPES

Envelopes can be returned this weekend.

Thank you for your generosity to enable Vinnies Members to make a difference to people seeking 'a hand-up'!

Below are just some of the ways our offerings help our neighbours.

In 2024/2025 St Vincent de Paul SA had a remarkable impact:

- 55,610 instances of support given to South Australians in need
- 22,283 in-person support visits
- 369 women, 307 children and 115 pets safely accommodated at the Vinnies Women's Crisis Centre
- 290 men safely accommodated at the Vinnies Men's Crisis Centre
- 285 people supported by the Vinnies Open Door Program
- 39,126 meals served by Fred's Van across 10 locations
- 2,400 instances of support at the Vinnies Refugee & Asylum Seeker Service
- 35 Vinnies shops supporting communities across SA.

**The Vinnies make a real difference each and every day.**

**Thank you for your support! Remember that the donations made by our parish are used for local people in need.**

**THE BIGGEST MORNING TEA** at the Goolwa Church was a wonderful



success, bringing together around 80 people from four local churches — Catholic, Lutheran, Anglican and Church of Christ — in a strong show of community support and friendship.

*The event was expertly hosted by Vivi Scriva, whose lively skills as emcee and auctioneer kept everyone entertained throughout the morning. Opening and closing prayers were led by David Spencer from the Church of Christ.*

A heartfelt tribute was given by Betty Feist from the Lutheran Church in honour of June Carbone, who began the Biggest Morning Tea 20 years ago and later lost her own battle with cancer.

*Guests enjoyed a delicious spread of homemade food catering for all dietary needs, along with raffles, auctions and generous support from local traders. A special thank you was extended to the St Joan's Social Club from Victor Harbor for their generous \$1,000 donation.*

More than \$3,300 was raised through donations, raffles, auctions and entry fees, with funds still being counted. Thanks were expressed to everyone who attended and to the many volunteers who worked hard to make the event such a memorable success.

## ST JOAN'S MAINTENANCE ENGINEERS' GROUP

is in need of a volunteer to fill the big shoes being left behind by Michael McBride who is hanging up his "tool bag" soon. We are incredibly grateful for the countless hours of hard work, dedication and care Michael has poured into our Church building and grounds over the years. His commitment has saved the Church significant resources and kept our facilities welcoming for all.



This position includes the upkeep of the property and grounds as required and attending as Victor Harbor representative at the monthly Parish Finance Committee meetings.

**The Maintenance Group will hold their next meeting on Wednesday 10th June at 9.30am in the Annex. If you are interested, come along and talk with Michael and the crew over a cuppa.**

**THIS WEEK: 30th and 31st May**

**Victor Harbor Saturday 6pm**

Commentator: T. White

R.1 L. Blacket

R.2 J. Jeffery

EMHC - Host: Fr Vinh

- Chalice 1: A. Fawkner

- Chalice 2: E. O'Connell

**Sunday 11am**

Commentator: T. Hounslow

R. 1 A. Weygood

R. 2 L. Sunman

EMHC - Host: Fr Vinh

- Chalice 1: Visiting Priest

- Chalice 2: A. Rose

**Goolwa 9am**

Commentator: Marie Riddle

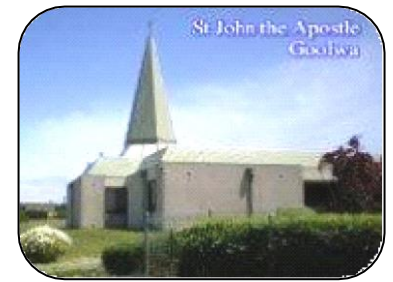
R.1 M. Freeborn

R.2 Michael Riddle

EMHC - Host: T. Siciliano

- Chalice 1: Fr Vinh

- Chalice 2: Marie Riddle



**NEXT WEEK: 6th & 7th June**

**Victor Harbor Saturday 6pm**

Commentator: E. O'Shaughnessy

R.1 C. Huppertz

R.2 C. Allen

EMHC - Host: J. Jeffery

- Chalice 1: Fr Vinh

- Chalice 2: A. Fawkner

**Sunday 11am**

Commentator: R. Klecko

R. 1 W. Baker

R. 2 A. Rose

EMHC - Host: K. Dudley

- Chalice 1: Fr Vinh

- Chalice 2: P. O'Brien

**Goolwa 9am**

Commentator: V. Scriva

R.1 R. Lee

R.2 E. Bourne

EMHC - Host: Fr Vinh

- Chalice 1: A. Turner

- Chalice 2: V. Scriva

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NGARRINDJERI and  
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(8210 8150 - select Option 2)
- CSHW SA (Work, Health and Safety) please contact Jim Dabinett  
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**LIVING THE TRINITY AT HOME  
AND IN COMMUNITY**  
(John 3:16-18)

Jesus said, "Yes, God so loved the world as to give the Only Begotten One, that whoever believes may not die, but have eternal life. God sent the Only Begotten into the world not to condemn the world, but that through the Only Begotten the world might be saved."

The Feast of the Trinity reminds us that God is not distant or disconnected from everyday life. Father, Son and Holy Spirit reveal a God of relationship, love and communion. This week we hear the heart of that message clearly: "For God so loved the world that God gave God's only Son ... not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him."

That message feels especially important in today's world. Many families are carrying heavy loads. People are stretched by rising costs, busy schedules, anxiety, loneliness and constant digital noise. It is easy for relationships to become rushed, reactive or disconnected.

The Trinity offers another way to live. At the centre of our faith is a God who exists in loving relationship. The Trinity reminds us that faith is not simply about beliefs or rituals. It is about the way we love, forgive, include and care for one another each day.

In parish life, this matters deeply. Our parishes are called to be more than places we attend. They are communities where people experience welcome, compassion and belonging. A smile at Mass, a patient conversation, support for a struggling family or simply making time to truly listen can reveal something of God's presence.

John's Gospel also reminds us that Jesus came not to condemn, but to save. In a culture where people are often quick to judge online and in public life, Christians are called to be

people of hope, mercy and understanding. The way we speak to one another at home, online and in our parish communities becomes part of our witness to the Gospel.

The Feast of the Trinity invites us to reflect on a simple but challenging question. Do our relationships reflect the love of the God we proclaim?

When people encounter kindness, patience and genuine care through us, they experience something of the Trinity alive in the world today.

**Questions for Reflection**

- How can our homes and parish communities become places of deeper connection and belonging?
- In a world shaped by criticism and division, how can we live more like Christ who came not to condemn but to save?
- What small actions help others experience welcome, hope and compassion through our parish community? *GPBS eNews*

**THIS WEEK'S READINGS**

(01 - 07 June)

- **Monday, 01:** St Justin (2 Pet 1:2-7; Mk 12:1-12)
- **Tuesday, 02:** Weekday, Ord Time 9 (2 Pet 3:11-15, 17-18; Mk 12:13-17)
- **Wednesday, 03:** Sts Charles Lwanga & companions (2 Tim 1:1-3, 6-12; Mk 12:18-27)
- **Thursday, 04:** Weekday, Ord Time 9 (2 Tim 2:8-15; Mk 12:28-34)
- **Friday, 05:** St Boniface (2 Tim 3:10-17; Mk 12:35-37)
- **Saturday, 06:** Weekday, Ord Time 9 (2 Tim 4:1-8; Mk 12:38-44)
- **Sunday 07:** The Most Holy BODY and BLOOD of CHRIST (*Corpus Christi*) (Deut 8:2-3, 14-16; 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58)

**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.