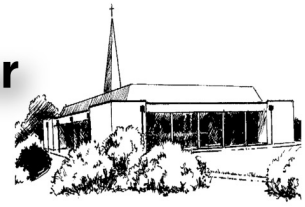


Welcome to

Catholic Community of Victor Harbor and Goolwa

(Part of the Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island Cluster of Catholic Parishes)



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PARISH NEWSLETTER
Please forward items for the newsletter to the Parish Office - ph 8552 1084, fax 8552 3439 or catholicvhg@bigpond.com) (*All items for the newsletter must be received no later than Wednesday evening)*

PARISH TREASURER
Mrs Margaret Meade

MASS CENTRES AND TIMES

ST JOAN OF ARC

30 Seaview Road, Victor Harbor
MASS TIMES
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 11.00am
RECONCILIATION
Saturday 11.00am - 11.30am
Saturday 5.30pm - 5.50pm

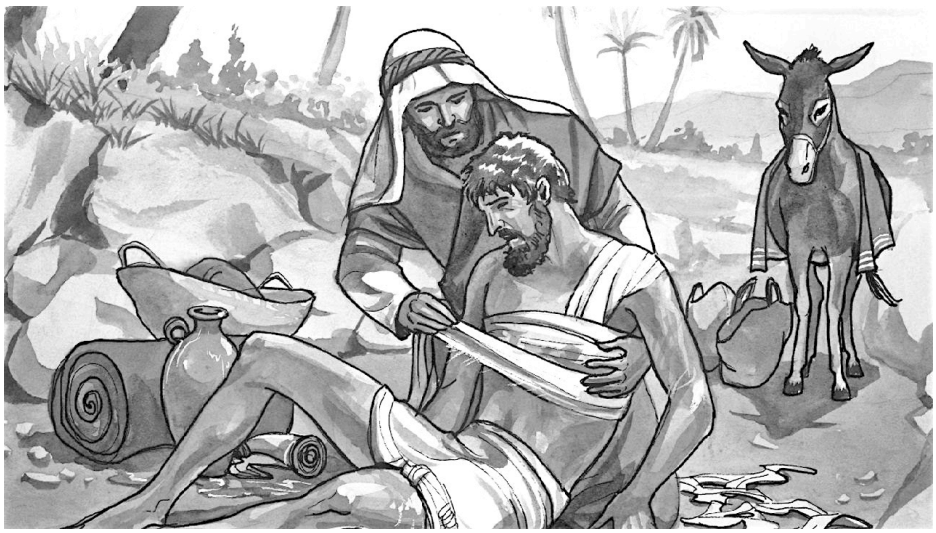
ST JOHN THE APOSTLE

10-14 Gardiner Street, Goolwa
MASS TIMES
Sunday 9.00am
(1st Sunday of the month - Family Mass)
RECONCILIATION
Sunday 8.30am - 8.50am

CHILD PROTECTION UNIT

Sally Wellington (Manager)
Phone: 8210 8268





FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.

'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 18:8-11

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

SECOND READING

Colossians 1:15-20

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignties, Powers – all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 6:63,68

Alleluia, alleluia!
Your words, Lord, are spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 10:25-37

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus 'do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side.

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SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Julie Bradley, Barbara Bond, Tony Sheehan, Mark Kelly, Simon Slagter , Father John Langtry, Leo Langtry, Paul Cullen, Frank Refchange, Gail Menner, Pat Proctor, Reilly Smith, Kevin Walz, Des Healy, Rosemary Powell, Patricia Sloan, Bill Wilson, Susan Anderson , Leo Ryan

ANNIVERSARIES

Brian Davis, Rita Sullivan , Francis Vogt, Catherine Vogt, Henry O'Brien, Kathleen McNamara, Bryan Henderson, Frank Joras-Lafsky, Craig Sampson, Bryan Constable, Roger Regan, Fr. Vincent Regan

RECENTLY DECEASED

Barry Hudson, Patricia Watson, Peter Maddison

PARISH COLLECTION
2nd & 3rd July

1st (Presbytery)	$1,033.50
2nd (Parish)	$1,422.00
Indigenous Appeal	$710.00

VICTOR MORNING TEA ROSTER

July 10th & 17th
R. & I. Reid
July 24th & 31st
H. & P. Sampson

VICTOR ALTAR ROSTER

July 15th - 22nd
W. & J. Baker, V. Wyld

VICTOR MEET & GREET

July Saturdays L. & M. Peake,
July Sundays H. Sampson, F. Harris

ST. JOAN'S CHOIR

Practice time is at 10.30am each Friday in the Church.

GOOLWA MORNING TEA ROSTER

July M. Freeborn, A. Fawkner, L. Elliott,

GOOLWA MEET & GREET

July I. Van der Kamp, J.McInnes

ST. JOHN'S SINGING GROUP

Practices are held in the Church every Tuesday at 3.30pm

Bulletin Board

THE HOLY FATHER'S 2016 PRAYER INTENTIONS- JULY

Indigenous Peoples– *that indigenous peoples whose identity and very existence are threatened, will be shown due respect .*

RESPONDING TO POPE FRANCIS' CALL TO CARE FOR THE EARTH

There will be an introduction to Pope Francis' encyclical "Caring for our Common Home" on Tuesday 19th July at 7pm at St. Joan's and on Tuesday 26th July at 2pm at St. John's. Pope Francis has called on all people to join in caring for the environment as our "beloved Sister and Mother". Peter Laffan from Mary of Galilee at Aldinga will lead a discernment on how each of us can respond personally to this call, and how we as a Catholic community can respond together. For more information contact Peter on 8556 3915 or at impe@internode.on.net

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY

Groups meet fortnightly on Thursday nights (mixed) 7-9 pm and Wednesday (women) 1.30 - 3.30 pm. Phone Rob and Jocelyne Randabel-Williamson for more information. 0402 341 071.

EXPLORING THE GOSPEL

Deepen your understanding of the Sunday Gospel at 7.00pm – 8.00pm each Sunday in the Annex, Victor Harbor. All welcome.

CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING COMMUNITY

We meet for Lectio Divina (Scripture Reflection) and meditation on Monday evenings for 2016. Anyone is welcome. Please contact Anne Weygood for details 0429 653 844.

RCIA The rite of Christian Initiation of Adults has begun in our Parish. We welcome Estelle de Vries and Ted Hounslow who wish to become Catholics. Do you know anyone who wishes to become a Catholic ? Please let Father Vinh know or leave a message at the Parish Office 8552 1084

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

Members please note the next meeting will be held in Goolwa on Wednesday 13th July after 9.30am Mass.

ST. JOAN'S SOCIAL CLUB

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th July at 1.30pm in the annex.
All Welcome

MASSES DURING JULY

Fr. Vinh is on annual leave during July. All weekend Masses are being covered by visiting priests. Weekday Masses will be on Wednesday at St. John's and Friday at St. Joan's. Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion will be Tuesday and Thursday at Victor Harbor at 9am.

KSC "LOAVES AND FISHES" NIGHT

KSC members are holding a "loaves and fishes" night on Monday 11th July in the hall at "Fairways", Southern Cross Village, 29 Adelaide Rd , McCracken starting at 6.00pm. Parishioners who wish to join us would be most welcome. BYO meal. For details contact Ian Reid on 8552 4329 by 8th July.



CHEER THE CROWS

Knights of the Southern Cross present "a day at the footy" on **Sunday 10th July** at St. John's Church, Goolwa from 12.15pm. We have two TV screens to bring you the match between Adelaide and Carlton, starting at 12.40pm. A nice soup luncheon with pies, pasties & sausage rolls, as we watch the big game.



Tickets are $10 each which includes lunch.
All drinks BYO. Join in the fun as we cheer the Crows home to another victory on the way to the finals.
Phone Paul on 0402 852 825 (Wed. - Sunday)

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Parishioners who are not currently giving to the Parish Giving Program and who would like to contribute should contact the Parish Treasurer, Mrs Margaret Meade on 8552 9176. We offer weekly envelopes, monthly credit card payments or Direct Debit. Those who currently give and who may want to increase their amount should also contact the Treasurer. Your contributions allow the Finance & Property Committee to maintain and update the facilities of our Parish and all donations are truly appreciated.

ARCHBISHOP WILSON ANNIVERSARY

We congratulate Archbishop Wilson who will celebrate the 20th anniversary of his consecration as a Bishop on Sunday 10th July.

ST. JOAN'S MAINTENANCE GROUP AND MEN'S MORNING TEA

Work starts at 9.30am on Wednesday 13th July followed by morning tea in the annex.

Bulletin Board

PPC UPDATE JUNE 2016

At our June meeting we looked at the 5th renewal characteristic of parishes.

"The parish community is visibly engaged with those who experience poverty and need, and with those on the margins of society and church."

Pope Francis has said: "Here I repeat for the entire Church what I have often said to the priests and laity of Buenos Aires: I prefer a Church which is bruised, hurting and dirty because it has been out on the streets, rather than a Church which is unhealthy from being confined and from clinging to its own security. I do not want a Church concerned with being at the centre and which then ends by being caught up in a web of obsessions and procedures" (Joy of the Gospel, par.49) Our parishes and communities will need to go out to both their own members in need, including those who are old, isolated, sick, and those who are in need in their neighbourhoods and in the wider world. Pope Francis tells us that he wants "a Church which is poor and for the poor" (Joy of the Gospel, 198).

Again for the next few weeks we would like your input and suggestions as to how we as a parish can put into practice the above aims.

We would like to hear from you through the suggestion boxes in the Church porches. Please take some time to think about the above characteristic and let us know how you think this can be achieved.

One of the outcomes of our previous reflections is that we want to let the wider Church community know about the work already being done in the Parish by many dedicated members of many different Parish groups and committees. Over the coming weeks and months we will be inviting a representative of all the Parish groups to speak briefly at Masses of what their group does and what benefit they personally derive from their involvement.

The PPC will not meet in July due to both Fr Charles and Fr Vinh and some of the PPC members all being away at the time of the meeting.
Carol Sutherland PPC Chairperson

ST. BENEDICT
Feast Day 11th July



Benedict's main achievement is his "Rule of Saint Benedict", containing precepts for his monks. It has a unique spirit of balance, moderation and reasonableness, which persuaded most religious communities founded throughout the Middle Ages to adopt it. As a result, his Rule became one of the most influential religious rules in Western Christendom. For this reason, Benedict is often called the founder of western monasticism.

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL
Feast Day 16th July



Hermits lived on Mount Carmel near the Fountain of Elijah in northern Israel in the 12th century. They had a chapel dedicated to Our Lady.
By the 13th century they became known as "Brothers of Our Lady of Mount Carmel." They soon celebrated a special Mass and Office in honour of Mary. In 1726 it became a celebration of the universal Church under the title of Our Lady of Mount Carmel
(Excerpt: American Catholic.org)

PSALM 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

The law of the Lord is perfect
it revives the soul.
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
it gives wisdom to the simple.

The precepts of the Lord are right,
they gladden the heart.
The command of the Lord is clear,
it gives light to the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is holy,
abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth
and all of them just.

They are more to be desired than gold,
than the purest of gold
and sweeter are they than honey,
than honey from the cone.

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart

MASS ROSTER

This Week : 9th & 10th July

VICTOR HARBOR 6pm
Commentator: B. Munday

R.1 M. Farmer
R. 2 S. Duong
E.M. P. Harris, E. O'Shaughnessy

VICTOR HARBOR 11am
Commentator: M. Ferguson

R.1 P. O'Brien
R.2 W. Baker

E.M. M. Von Holst, K. Rucioch, R. Kuske, R. Reid, A. Weygood

GOOLWA 9.00am
Commentator: M. Freeborn

R.1 L. Healey
R.2 D. Huppatz
E.M. A. Turner, C. Williams, D. West, L. Elliott, D. Elliott



Next Week : 16th & 17th July

VICTOR HARBOR 6pm
Commentator: W. Baker
R.1 B. Bullen
R. 2 C. Sutherland
E.M. D. McLaughlin, J. Baker

VICTOR HARBOR 11am
Commentator: E. Temme
R.1 K. Rucioch
R.2 F. Hanna
E.M. I. Reid, P. Clingan, J. Baker, M. Cunningham

GOOLWA 9.00am
Commentator: P. Kennelly
R.1 B. Longworth
R.2 L. Longworth
E.M. P. Burns, M. Davis, L. Healey. M. Glazewski, D. Huppatz

REGULAR MASS TIMES IN OUR CLUSTER CHURCHES

ALDINGA
Mary of Galilee, the First Disciple
cnr Quinliven and Howe Roads
Saturday 5.30pm
Tuesday 9.15am

GOOLWA
St John the Apostle, 10-14 Gardiner St
Sunday 9.00am
Wednesday 9.30am

KINGSCOTE
Our Lady of Perpetual Help,
cnr Todd and Giles Streets
Sunday 9.30am
4th Sunday (Youth Mass) 6.00pm

NOARLUNGA
St Luke, the Evangelist,
cnr Honeypot Rd and Goldsmith Dve
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am
1st Sunday 11.00am (Spanish Mass)
2nd Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass)
Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm
Monday 9.00am
Tuesday (2nd, 4th, 5th week) 9.00am
Tuesday (1st, 3rd week) 9.45am
Wednesday 7.00am, 7.30pm
Thursday 9.00am (St John's School)
Friday 10.00am

NORMANVILLE
St Peter, Cape Jervis Road
1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 10.30am
2nd, 4th Sundays 8.30am
1st Friday 6.00pm

PARNDANA
4th Sunday 4.00pm

PENNESHAW
St Columba, North Terrace
(shared with Anglicans)
1st Sunday 2.00pm

SEAFORD
Seaford Ecumenical Mission, Grand Bvd
Sunday 10.45am
Wednesday 9.00am

VICTOR HARBOR
St Joan of Arc, 30 Seaview Road
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 11.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am
Friday (other than 1st) 9.00am
1st Friday 11.30am

WILLUNGA
St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street
1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 8.30am
2nd, 4th Sundays 10.30am
Wednesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am
Friday 9.00am

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But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go, and do the same yourself.'

BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

As Jesus continues his journey to Jerusalem, he is confronted by a scholar of the law who wants to test him. In Luke's Gospel, the lawyer asks what we must do to inherit eternal life. Here Jesus asks the expert to answer this question, "What is written in the law?" The man is caught and responds with Deuteronomy 6:5. Love of God and love of neighbour are what is required for eternal life. Jesus' response is simple, "Do this and you will live."

Having been shown up by Jesus, the lawyer tries another question: 'Who is my neighbour whom I must love like myself?' This was a trick question. Jesus responds with one of the most beautiful of all the parables, the Good Samaritan.

The road from Jerusalem to Jericho descends 3,300 feet in just 17 miles. Its narrow passes and rocky terrain made it an easy place for bandits to wait for travellers. The traveller in this parable is identified only as "a certain man." Luke uses this phrase in many of his parables so that the audience, Jew or Gentile, could identify with the man. After the attack, the man is left for dead, naked and bleeding on the side of the road. A priest comes along, but rather than helping, as one might expect, he moves to the other side of the road. Another religious person comes along, a Levite who assists in the Temple. His reaction is the same as the priest's. Both of them choose to not even find out if the man is alive. A third person comes along. The listeners would probably expect him to be an Israelite. This would make the parable a criticism of the religious leadership. Instead he is a Samaritan, an Israelite's most hated neighbour. Samaritans were descendants of Jews from the northern part of the country, who had intermarried with Gentiles and did not worship in Jerusalem. The Samaritan not only goes over to the injured man but cleans his wounds, puts him on his own animal, takes him to an inn to recover, and promises to pay all his expenses. The hated enemy is the compassionate neighbour in this parable.

Jesus has demolished all boundary expectations. It is not social definitions such as class, religion, gender, or ethnicity that determines who is our neighbour. A neighbour is a person who acts with compassion toward another. The point becomes not who deserves to be loved as I love myself, but that I become a person who treats everyone with compassion.

When Jesus asks the lawyer who was the neighbour in the story, the lawyer can't bring himself to say it was the Samaritan. All he says is that it was "the one who treated him with mercy." Jesus' response was similar to that of the first discussion: "Go and do likewise." The lawyer, and we, know what is right. The key is to do it. *Loyola website*

SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

There is a timelessness in this parable which calls us all to come to the aid of wounded humanity. We are asked to respond with compassion and generosity to those in need. We are called to grow in awareness of the real demand of faith and in a God of Life, rather than rest in simple adherence to ritual obligation.

QUOTE

Happy moments, praise God. Difficult moments, seek God. Quiet moments, worship God. Painful moments, trust God. Every moment, thank God.

Anonymous

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(11 July - 17 July)

- **Monday, 11:** St Benedict (Is 1:10-17; Mt 10:34 - 11:1)
- **Tuesday 12:** Weekday Ord Time 15 (Is 7:1-9; Mt 11:20-24)
- **Wednesday 13:** Weekday Ord Time 15 (Is 10:5-7, 13-16; Mt 11:25-27)
- **Thursday 14:** Weekday Ord Time 15 (Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Mt 11:28-30)
- **Friday 15:** St Bonaventure (Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Mt 12:1-8)
- **Saturday 16:** Weekday Ord Time 15 (Micah 2:1-5; Mt 12:14-21)
- **Sunday 17:** Sixteenth Sunday in Ord Time (Gen 18:1-10; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42)