

Welcome to

Willunga Catholic Parish

Mary of Galilee, Aldinga; St Peter's, Normanville; St Joseph's, Willunga (Part of the Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island Cluster of Catholic Parishes)

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WILLUNGA CATHOLIC PARISH CENTRE

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday: 10.00am - 12.00noon Friday: 9.00am - 11.00am (If you need to contact the Parish Office outside these hours, please contact 0447 421 948 or 0488 287 552)

NOARLUNGA DOWNS CATHOLIC PRESBYTERY

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

- Fr Josy Sebastian (Parish Priest 8382 1717; emergency 0452 524 169)
- Fr Roy John (Assistant Priest 8382 1717)
- Fr Tom Gleeson (Resident Priest 8557 1072)
- Sr Margaret Ann (Parish worker -0488 287 552)
- Gael Maloney (Parish Office Friday am; Newsletter - articles due Wednesday - <u>bahloo2@bigpond.com</u>, 0447 421 948)
- Geraldine and Steve Robinson (Finance Tuesday am)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL Peter Laffan (phone 8556 3915)

MASS CENTRES

- Mary of Galilee, cnr Quinliven and How Roads, ALDINGA - Galilee
- St Peter's, Cape Jervis Road, NORMANVILLE
- St Joseph's, St Judes St, WILLUNGA

MASS TIMES

- SATURDAY EVENING 5.30pm Aldinga Beach (Mary of Galilee)
- FIRST, THIRD, FIFTH SUNDAYS 8.30am Willunga (St Joseph's) 10.30am Normanville (St Peter's)
- SECOND, FOURTH SUNDAYS 8.30am Normanville (St Peter's 10.30am Willunga (St Joseph's)



FIRST READING

Baruch 5:1-9

Jerusalem, take off your dress of sorrow and distress, put on the beauty of the glory of God for ever, wrap the cloak of the integrity of God around you, put the diadem of the glory of the Eternal on your head: since God means to show your splendour to every nation under heaven, since the name God gives you for ever will be,

'Peace through integrity, and honour through devotedness.'

Arise, Jerusalem, stand on the heights and turn your eyes to the east: see your sons reassembled from west and east at the command of the Holy One, jubilant that God has remembered them.

Though they left you on foot, with enemies for an escort, now God brings them back to you like royal princes carried back in glory. For God has decreed the flattening of each high mountain, of the everlasting hills, the filling of the valleys to make the ground level so that Israel can walk in safety under the glory of God.

And the forests and every fragrant

tree will provide shade for Israel at the command of God; for God will guide Israel in joy by the light of his glory with his mercy and integrity for escort.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 125

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

SECOND READING

Philippians 1:3-6, 8-11

Every time I pray for all of you, I pray with joy, remembering how you have helped to spread the Good News from the day you first heard it right up to the present. I am quite certain that the One who began this good work in you will see that it is finished when the Day of Christ Jesus comes. God knows how much I miss you all, loving you as Christ Jesus loves you. My prayer is that your love for each other may increase more and more and never stop improving your knowledge and deepening your perception so that you can always recognise what is best. This will help you to become pure and blameless, (Continued page 4)

BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES

Please contact the Parish Office

RECONCILIATION

- Aldinga: Saturday 5.00 5.20pm
- · Normanville: Second and fourth Sundays at 8.10am
- Willunga: to be organised Reconciliation always available at St Luke's, Noarlunga every Saturday at 9.00am.

ROSARY

10.00am before 10.30am Masses at Normanville. 9.30am on Fridays in the Chapel at Galilee, Aldinga.

QUIET PRAYER

Each day at Willunga for 30 minutes at 7.00am and 5.00pm. All welcome.

REFLECTION GROUPS

Willunga Thursday Group meets weekly to reflect on Gospel for the following Sunday. Parish House, 7.00pm. Fr Tom (8557 1072)

FIRST FRIDAY MASSES

First Friday Mass: Willunga at 9.00am; Normanville at 6.00pm

FAMILY MASSES

Aldinga: 2nd Saturday - 5.30pm

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Galilee Learning Centre 8557 9000 St John the Apostle 8382 2064 All Saints Primary 8327 0020 Cardijn College 8392 9500 Marcellin Tech College 8186 9700

PLAYGROUP

Monday mornings 9.00am - 10.30am in Shared Space, Stage 1, Galilee School, Aldinga. Co-ordinator - Melanie Wilson (8557 9000)

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Meetings held twice monthly - every second Monday of month and the Monday, two weeks later, both at 9.30am. Meetings: Aldinga Community Centre, Stewart Road, Aldinga. Contact: Vinnies-Willunga@svdpsa.org.au

GALILEE HOUSEKEEPING TEAM

Feel free to contact any member of the committee about issues in the Aldinga community - Fr Josy (8382 1717), David Manders (8556 5667), Francoise or Ken Creevey (8557 6287), Mario Bacchin (8323 9909), Judy Driscoll (8557 7068).

GALILEE OP SHOP

How Road, Aldinga. Open Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8.45am - 3.00pm Phone: 0474 107 694



REGULAR WEEKDAY MASSES (or COMMUNION SERVICES)

Mon No Masses in Willunga Parish

9.00am - Noarlunga 9.15am - Aldinga Tue 9.00am - Willunga Wed 9am - Willunga Thur 9am - Willunga Fri 1st Fri Normanville: 5.30pm -

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; 6.00pm - Mass (followed by shared meal)

CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve

(Monday, December 24)

- 4.00pm Normanville
- 6.30pm Aldinga 7.00pm Willunga
- 12.00 midnight Willunga

Christmas Day (Tuesday, December 25)

- 9.00am Willunga
- 9.00am Normanville

New Year's Day (Tuesday, January 1)

- 9.00am Willunga
- 9.00am Normanville

ST VINCENT DE PAUL



Christmas Giving Trees Donations of toys and food

The Christmas Giving Trees in St Joseph and Mary of Galilee Churches are colourfully decorated with food and toy donation suggestion tags. Any parishioners who would like to support people going without during the Festive period, are encouraged to take a tag and bring back a donation and place it under the tree. The trees will be in place until 17 December.

Mario Bacchin

SENDING FORTH MASS

A special Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 11 December at 6.30pm at Mary of Galilee, Aldinga. It will be a sending-forth Mass for graduating Yr 6/7 students from Galilee School.

Kerri Gould

RENEWING THROUGH ADVENT 2018



"Behold, I make all things new"

Advent reflection booklets are available (free of charge) in the Church fover today. These are suitable for personal reflection, or you might like to meet with others for group reflection.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

St Vincent de Paul Christmas cards are now available. Packs of ten cards are on sale at all three Mass Centres until sold out. They are excellent value at \$5.00 per pack.

Mario Bacchin

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

will be held at St Luke's Church. Noarlunga from 8.30am - 8.30pm every Thursday. At least two people need to be present during this time. If parishioners from any of our three communities are interested, please ring the Noarlunga Office (phone 8382 1717) between 10.00am and 2.00pm to have your name(s) entered on the roster sheets.

GET OUT OF THAT MAINSTREAM!

I remember a senior student in high school telling me one day that everyone at school knows she doesn't drink, do drugs, or have sex. I can't remember our exact conversation, but I do remember her confidence in the way she chose to live. She was a popular student too, but she was "out of the mainstream," according to some.

In many ways, she was like John the Baptist, "a voice ... crying out in the desert'. John, like many religious leaders through history, removed himself from society's mainstream to promote a different message – a message that wasn't popular but was good for the people. "Change your

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lives," he was calling out, "You're on the wrong paths, even though it doesn't seem like it and even though those paths are leading you away from God."

Today, just like in John's time, there are a lot of paths out there. And many paths are promoted that lead people away from God. Drug and alcohol use. Sex before marriage. Gang lifestyle. Those are a few paths some people promote or accept. Each one can lead to what seems like good things at first. But eventually, statistics show, these paths lead to dead ends like broken relationships, single teen parenthood, addiction, violence, or jail.

God wants much more for you. So God has sent you people like John the Baptist. People that can live happy and healthy lives while changing the world. People that point to paths that will lead you to be all God knows you

can be, if you watch or listen to them. My friend the senior student was such a voice. I don't know how many people she influenced. But I do know she was proud of her values. They helped her build strong self-esteem.

GPBS eNews

SOUTHERN VALES SCHOOL MINISTRY GROUP

is a collection of representatives of local churches including our own Willunga Catholic Parish, who support the role of Pastoral Care Workers (Chaplains) in our local schools. It is our turn to do the sausage sizzle again on January 12 at the Quarry Market in Willunga between 8.00am and 1.00pm. If you can spare an hour on this day, we would greatly appreciate your help.

Please contact Anna (0414 266 528) or after Mass at Willunga.

Anna Rogers

FOR THE DIARY

Cologne Philharmonia Concert Saturday 12 January at 8.00pm Tickets will be on sale soon, but parishioners may pre-book now.

Phone Gael Maloney (8556 8209 : 0447 421 948)



+ ROSTERS

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NORMANVILLE	Sunday, 9 Decembe
Welcome	Tim Fleming

Sunday, 16 December Mary Kennedy Tim Fleming Welcome Commentator/Prayers David Salkeld Ann Henriksen Reader Jacqui Salkeld Patricia Litvensky Eucharistic Minister Ena Harvey Lyn Wyld **Church Cleaning TBA TBA**

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Sunday, 9 December Welcome Pauleen & John Hounslow Andrew Beach Commentary Wavne Best Francesca Zagajewska First Reader Second Reader Norman Lee Eucharistic Ministers Andrew Beach Michael Hynes **Church Cleaning** Michael Hynes Counting John Hounslow Church Linen Pauleen Hounslow

Sunday, 16 December

Michael Hynes Marie Andrews Sue Thompson Anna Rogers Steve Maglieri Michael Hynes May Dunn Marie Cester

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Anne Murphy, Val Gater, Bernie Wilkie, Jan Stanway, Celine Parkinson, Abbey McIver, Aya Evans, Grace Lynch

WILL S'TALIW

	WITALSON
Dec 8	Feast - Immaculate
	Conception
Dec 9	Second Sunday of Advent
Dec16	Third Sunday of Advent
Dec 23	Fourth Sunday of Advent
Dec 25	Christmas Day
Dec 25	Appeal for Aboriginal
	Catholic Ministry
Ian 12	8nm - Cologne Philharmon

8pm - Cologne Philharmonia Concert - St Joseph's

Unborn Child Appeal Mar 3 Mar 6 - Apr 21 Project Compassion

Apr 19 Holy Places Appeal May 12 Vinnies Winter Appeal

Jun 9 Propagation of the Faith Appeal

Jun 30 Holy Father' Appeal Jul 7 NATSICC Appeal

Jul 14 Apostleship of the Sea Appeal

Aug 11 Appeal for Vocations Sep Catholic Charities Appeal

COLLECTIONS

01/02 December, 2018

First collection \$634.00 **Envelopes** \$463.00 Unpledged \$269.00

> Thank you for your support it is much appreciated.

Geology rocks, but geography is where it's

I hope the children will never find out why I say 'oooops...." so often when I vacuum their rooms.



"This year my family decided to gather on Facebook for the holidays. Uncle Frank got into an argument with Grandpa. Aunty Gladys was offended by something she saw in Julie's profile. Mum cried because Andrew posted a photo that made her look fat. I got so annoyed, I left to hang with my friends on MySpace.

It was an old-fashioned Christmas after all!"

REGULAR MASS TIMES IN OUR CLUSTER CHURCHES ALDINGA

Mary of Galilee, the First Disciple cnr Quinliven and How 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

NOARLUNGA

St Luke, the Evangelist,
cnr Honeypot Rd and Goldsmith Dve
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am

1st Sunday 11am (Spanish Mass)
2nd Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass)
Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm
Monday 9.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Wednesday 7.30pm
Thursday 8.15am (St Luke's)
Thursday 9.15am (St John's - term time)
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

2nd Sunday 2.30pm

PENNESHAW

St Columba, North Terrace (shared with Anglicans) 1st Sunday 1.30pm

SEAFORD

Seaford Ecumenical Mission, Grand Bvd Sunday 10.45am Wednesday 9.15am

VICTOR HARBOR

St Joan of Arc, 30 Seaview Road
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 11.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am
Friday 9.00am
1st Friday Benediction following Mass

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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 (Continued from page 1)

and prepare you for the Day of Christ, when you will reach the perfect goodness which Jesus Christ produces in us for the glory and praise of God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 3:4, 6

Alleluia, alleluia!
Prepare the way of the Lord, make
straight his paths: all people shall see
the salvation of God.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of Tiberius Caesar's reign, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judaea, Herod tetrarch of Galilee, his brother Philip tetrarch of the lands of Ituraea and Trachonitis, Lysanias tetrach of Abilene, during the pontificate of Annas and Caiaphas the word of God came to John son of Zechariah, in the wilderness. He went through the whole Jordan district proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the sayings of the prophet Isaiah.

A voice cries in the wilderness: Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley will be filled in, every mountain and hill be laid low, winding ways will be straightened and rough roads made smooth.

And all mankind shall see the salvation of God.

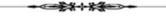


EXPLORING THE WORD

The word of God that comes to John in the wilderness is not a word meant for him alone but is to be shared with all the people. John's proclamation of the word of God 'through the whole Jordan district' is a precursor to Jesus' instruction to his disciples 'that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations' (Luke 24:47). The salvation brought by the Lord is not a personal and private matter but one that is destined for the whole of humankind. This salvation can only be achieved, however, if one is prepared to realign one's life—to repent of past sins and take a new path in life. John's call is a call to a new beginning.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Luke goes to great lengths to describe the geographical and political world into which Jesus is born. God enters into human history at a specific time and place. The coming of Jesus for the salvation of the world is not a vague notion but a concrete event in time.
- The prophets of the Hebrew tradition were specially chosen people who spoke the word of God to Israel. John the Baptist is sometimes referred to as the last of the great prophets.
- Scholars believe that Jesus may well have spent some time as a disciple of the Baptist before embarking on his own public ministry.
- The 'Herod' mentioned in this text is Herod Antipas—son of Herod the Great, who ruled at the time of Jesus' birth. After Herod the Great's death, his realm was divided between three of his sons. One son proved an inept ruler and was removed from power in Judaea by the Romans and replaced by a Roman governor.



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(December 10 - 16)

- Monday, 10: Monday, 2nd week Advent (Is 35:1-10; Lk 5:17-26)
- *Tuesday, 11:* Tuesday, 2nd week Advent (Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14)
- Wednesday, 12: Wednesday, 2nd week Advent (Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30)
- *Thursday,13*: St Lucy (Is 41:13-120; Mt 11:11-15)
- *Friday, 14:* St John of the Cross (Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19)
- *Saturday, 15:* Saturday, 2nd week Advent (Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:10-13)
- *Sunday 16:* THIRD SUNDAY of ADVENT (Zeph 3:14-18; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18)

PASTORAL CARE

If you (or someone you know) is house-bound, in hospital or in residential care and would appreciate a visit from a Priest or someone from the Parish, please let us know. Contact: Noarlunga/Seaford (8382 1717), Willunga (0488 287 552), Victor Harbor/Goolwa (8552 1084), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).