



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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OFFICE HOURS

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

- Fr Josy Sebastian (Parish Priest -
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- Fr Tom Gleeson (Resident Priest -
8557 1072)
- Sr Margaret Ann (Parish worker -
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- Gael Maloney (Parish Office - Friday
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- Geraldine and Steve Robinson
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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

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

‘Console my people, console them’
says your God.

‘Speak to the heart of Jerusalem
and call to her that her time of
service is ended, that her sin is
atoned for, that she has received
from the hand of the Lord double
punishment for her crimes.’

A voice cries, ‘Prepare in the
wilderness a way for the Lord.
Make a straight highway for our God
across the desert.

Let every valley be filled in, every
mountain and hill be laid low.
Let every cliff become a plain, and
the ridges a valley; then the glory of
the Lord shall be revealed and all
mankind shall see it; for the mouth
of the Lord has spoken.’

Go up on a high mountain, joyful
messenger to Zion.

Shout with a loud voice, joyful
messenger to Jerusalem.
Shout without fear, say to the towns
of Judah, ‘Here is your God.’

Here is the Lord coming with power,
his arm subduing all things to him.
The prize of his victory is with him,
his trophies all go before him.

He is like a shepherd feeding his
flock, gathering lambs in his arms,
holding them against his breast
and leading to their rest the mother
ewes.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-30

Oh, bless the Lord, my soul!

SECOND READING

Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7

God's grace has been revealed, and it
has made salvation possible for the
whole human race and taught us that
what we have to do is to give up
everything that does not lead to God,
and all our worldly ambitions; we
must be self-restrained and live good
and religious lives here in this present
world, while we are waiting in hope
for the blessing which will come with
the Appearing of the glory of our great
God and saviour Christ Jesus. He
sacrificed himself for us in order to set
us free from all wickedness and to
purify a people so that it could be his
very own and would have no ambition
except to do good.

When the kindness and love of God
our saviour for mankind were
revealed, it was not because he was
concerned with any righteous actions
we might have done ourselves; it was
for no reason except his own

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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), Françoise 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



Bulletin Board

REGULAR WEEKDAY MASSES (or COMMUNION SERVICES)

Mon No Masses in Willunga Parish 9.00am - Noarlunga
Tue 9.15am - Aldinga
Wed 9.00am - Willunga
Thur 9am - Willunga
Fri 9am - Willunga
1st Fri Normanville: 5.30pm - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; 6.00pm - Mass (followed by shared meal)

POPE FRANCIS' NEW YEAR MESSAGE - "GOOD POLITICS AT THE SERVICE OF PEACE"

His annual blessing of peace to the whole world focuses on the importance of political life in the creation of a human community in which the rights of all are respected. He sees politics as essential to the human vocation to help build the "universal city of God" in which God's desires for the well-being of the human family come to fruition.

Yet, as we are all too well aware, the abuse of politics for personal gain is all too rife, resulting in the "oppression, marginalization and even destruction" of many people. Some of the signs of this are corruption, xenophobia, racism, disregard for the environment, the plundering of natural resources and contempt for refugees.

To counter these vices of politics we need to practice a "politics of peace", in which respect for all, especially the most vulnerable and the young, build a world of trust and confidence.

As we celebrate the 70th anniversary of the declaration of Universal Human Rights, and the 100th anniversary of the end of World War 1, let us commit ourselves to the three-fold conversion to which the Gospel calls us - peace with oneself, peace with each other, and peace with creation.

And as we begin this year with a Federal election looming, and with the poisoning of political life all too evident both here and elsewhere, I look forward to the chance to have

conversations in our Catholic communities about how we can help to create "good politics at the service of peace."

*Peter Laffan
"Friends of Francis"*

(There are some hard copies of the Pope's message in the Church foyer today.)

WORLD YOUTH DAY GATHERING

All youth and their families welcome

ALDINGA BEACH

Saturday, January 19 from 2pm

Meet on the beach under the four blue gazebos in front of Cana Cottages (235 Lower Esplanade) for fun in the sun, sand and surf, then Mass at Galilee Church at 5.30pm - where we will assist with the music and reading, followed by supper (supplied).

Further details and to RSVP: Johanna (jskilmartin@gmail.com), David (david@kilmartin.net.au) or Michael (mick.44@live.com.au)

WORLD YOUTH DAY MASS

All are invited to attend the World Youth Day Festival Mass at 5.00pm on Sunday 27 January at Sacred Heart College in Somerton Park. This mass is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate with young people of the Archdiocese and the world! This liturgy will also be the official Archdiocesan closure to the Year of Youth. Please bring your own lawn chair or picnic blanket. For more information, visit the World Youth Day website:

www.cathoyouthadelaide.org.au/wyd-mass

DID YOU KNOW?

- This feast and the wedding at Cana miracle (next week's gospel) were originally celebrated on the same day as the feast of the Epiphany because they are also considered to be manifestations of the Christ.
- The word baptism comes from a Greek word meaning 'to plunge'
- The first Christians were baptised by being plunged into running streams or rivers, following the



practice of John. Later, large fonts were built in churches, and baptism of the faithful, usually adults, was by full immersion.

- The mainstream Christian churches—Catholic, Orthodox, Protestant and Anglican—recognise the same baptism. If a person is baptised into one of these churches, it is not repeated, even if they move to worshipping in another church.
- Jesus is clearly attracted by the preaching of the Baptist and submits to his baptism of repentance. Scholars believe that Jesus may have spent some time as a disciple of John the Baptist before embarking on his own public ministry.

SHARING THE TRADITION

Baptism is the first of the seven sacraments of the church. A sacrament is a sign through which God communicates love, life and forgiveness to us: 'Immersion in water symbolises not only death and purification, but also regeneration

and renewal. Thus the two principal effects (of baptism) are purification from sins and new birth in the Holy Spirit'

EXPLORING THE WORD

A small text later in the Gospel of Luke offers us a key to today's gospel. During his public ministry, Jesus says, 'Up to the time of John it was the Law and the Prophets; since then the Kingdom of God has been preached' (Luke 16:16). The baptism of Jesus marks the turning point. Today's gospel tells the story of crossing the threshold from the old order into the new. John very clearly states that despite some people's expectations, he is not the Messiah—the usher of the new order. John points beyond his own time to a future when God's Spirit is given at baptism, and the first of such baptisms belongs to Jesus himself. Immediately after Jesus' somewhat anonymous immersion along with 'all the people', the Spirit does indeed come to Jesus and the affirming voice from heaven announces Christ's sonship. God has come among us indeed.

ROSTERS

ALDINGA	<i>Saturday, 12 January</i>	<i>Saturday, 19 January</i>
Welcome	Georgina Sard	Lorraine & Noah Ellis
Commentator	Christina Tiedge	David Manders
Readers	Peter Laffan	Lillia Parkinson
	David Manders	Briana McIvor
Eucharistic Ministers	Francoise Creevey	Judy Seward
	Judy Driscoll	Brian Younie
NORMANVILLE	<i>Sunday, 13 January</i>	<i>Sunday, 20 January</i>
Welcome	Ann Henriksen	Barbara Kingham
Commentator/Prayers	David Salkeld	Jim Fitzpatrick
Reader	Jacqui Salkeld	Walter Litvensky
Eucharistic Minister	Trish Bohnsack	Patricia Litvensky
Church Cleaning	David & Jacqui Salkeld	David & Jacqui Salkeld
WILLUNGA	<i>Sunday, 13 January</i>	<i>Sunday, 20 January</i>
Welcome	Joe Rasera	Joe Rasera
Commentary	Jim Smith	Jim Smith
First Reader	Norman Lee	Norman Lee
Second Reader	Megan Chapman	Megan Chapman
Eucharistic Ministers	Steve Maglieri	Marie Cester
	Anna Rogers	Denny Ford
Church Cleaning	Christina Rasera	Rebecca Pace
Counting	P Hounslow, A Beach	P Hounslow, A Beach
Church Linen	Marie Cester	Anna Rogers

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Anne Murphy, Val Gater, Bernie Wilkie, Jan Stanway, Celine Parkinson, Abbey McIvor

Recently deceased: Aya Evans

Anniversaries: John Parkinson, John Busch

WHAT'S ON

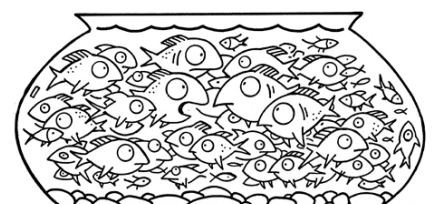
Jan 25	St Peter's Choir practice
Jan 26	Australia Day
Feb 21	St Peter's Choir practice
Mar 3	Unborn Child Appeal
Mar 6	Ash Wednesday
Mar 6 - Apr 21	Project Compassion
Mar 10	First Sunday of Lent
Mar 17	Second Sunday of Lent
Mar 17	St Patrick's Day
Mar 21	St Peter's Choir practice
Mar 24	Third Sunday of Lent
Apr 25	ANZAC Day
Mar 31	Fourth Sunday of Lent
Apr 7	Fifth Sunday of Lent
Apr 11	St Peter's Choir practice
Apr 18	Holy Thursday
Apr 19	Holy Places Appeal
Apr 19	Good Friday
Apr 20	Saturday of Easter
Apr 21	Easter Sunday
Apr 22	Easter Monday
May 2	St Peter's Choir practice
May 12	Vinnies Winter Appeal
May 30	St Peter's Choir practice
Jun 9	Propagation of the Faith Appeal
Jun 27	St Peter's Choir practice
Jun 30	Holy Father' Appeal
Jul 7	NATSICC Appeal
Jul 14	Apostleship of the Sea Appeal
Jul 25	St Peter's Choir practice
Aug 8	Solemnity, St Mary of the Cross
Aug 11	Appeal for Vocations
Aug 15	Assumption -Blessed Virgin Mary
Aug 22	St Peter's Choir practice
Sep	Catholic Charities Appeal
Sep 19	St Peter's Choir practice
Oct 24	St Peter's Choir practice
Nov 21	St Peter's Choir practice
Dec 12	St Peter's Choir practice

COLLECTIONS

05/06 January, 2019

First collection	\$870.00
Envelopes	\$502.00
Unpledged	\$447.00

Thank you for your support - it is much appreciated.



"Why didn't you tell me your relatives were coming for the holidays?"

**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

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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compassion that he saved us, by means of the cleansing water of rebirth and by renewing us with the Holy Spirit which he has so generously poured over us through Jesus Christ our saviour. He did this so that we should be justified by his grace, to become heirs looking forward to inheriting eternal life.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 3:16

Alleluia, alleluia!

John said: He who is to come is mightier than I; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. Now when all the people had been baptised and while Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily shape, like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.'

GOSPEL BACKGROUND

Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In today's Gospel, as in the other Gospel accounts of Jesus' baptism, we hear John the Baptist address the confusion of the people who thought that John might be the Messiah. In response, John contrasts the baptism that he performs with the Baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John the Baptist says that he has baptized with water, but that someone will come and baptize with the Holy Spirit. The type of baptism that John performed was not yet a Christian Baptism; it was a preparation for Christian Baptism through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received.

The baptism of Jesus is reported in each of the three Synoptic Gospels—

Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Clearly, it was an event of great significance for Jesus and for the early Christian community. The Evangelists Mark and Luke report the story from Jesus' perspective; the voice from heaven is addressed to Jesus. Compare this to Matthew's Gospel in which the voice from heaven speaks to everyone. In Luke, however, the Holy Spirit descends upon Jesus during his time of prayer after his baptism. Through his Gospel, Luke will show Jesus to be a person of prayer who withdraws regularly from the crowds and his disciples to pray to his Father.

The baptism of Jesus is considered a manifestation of God in Jesus, another "epiphany." On this, the last day of the Christmas season, our Gospel reveals to us Jesus' relation to God: the son of Mary and Joseph is also God's own Son. In Luke's Gospel, all three members of the Trinity are manifested here: God the Father in the voice, the Holy Spirit descending, and Jesus the Son. At the beginning of his Gospel, Luke is communicating to us important information about the identity of Jesus. In the verses that follow, Luke lists the genealogy of Jesus, tracing Jesus' ancestry back to the first person, Adam, who is also identified as the son of God. We, the children of Adam and Eve, are again made children of God through Baptism.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(14 - 20 January)

- **Monday, 14:** Weekday, Ord Time 1 (Heb 1:1-6; Mk 1:14-20)
- **Tuesday, 15:** Weekday, Ord Time 1 (Heb 2:5-12; Mk 1:21-28)
- **Wednesday, 16:** Weekday, Ord Time 1 (Heb 2:14-18; Mk 1:29-39)
- **Thursday, 17:** St Anthony, abbot (Heb 3:7-14; Mk 1:40-45)
- **Friday, 18:** Weekday, Ord Time 1 (Heb 4:1-5, 11; Mk 2:1-12)
- **Saturday, 19:** Weekday, Ord Time 1 (Heb 4:12-16; Mk 2:13-17)
- **Sunday, 20:** 2nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Is 62:1-5; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11)

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).