



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

Phone: 8382 1717

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 - bahloo2@bigpond.com, 0447 421 948)
- Geraldine and Steve Robinson (Finance - Tuesday am)

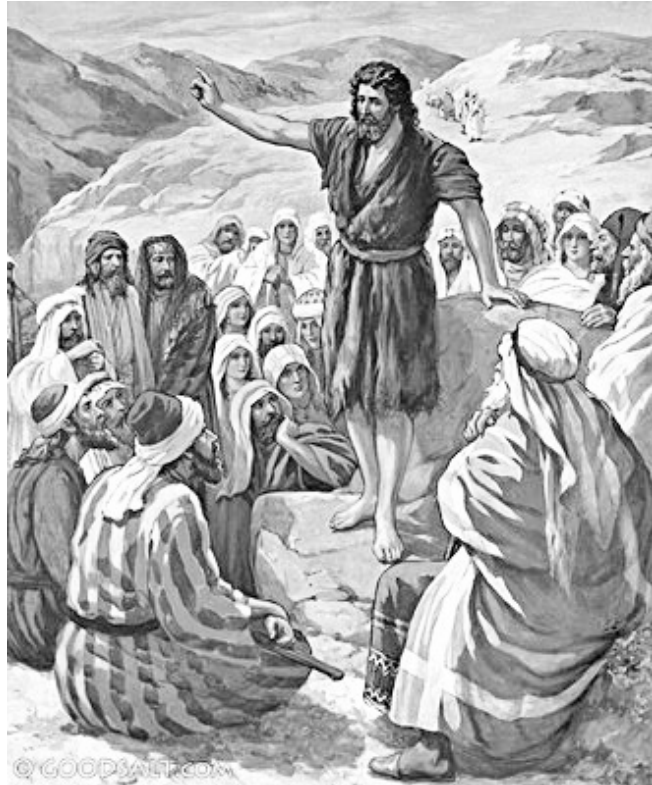
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
Peter Laffan (phone 8556 3915)

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

Zephaniah 3:14-18

Shout for joy, daughter of Zion, Israel, shout aloud!
Rejoice, exult with all your heart, daughter of Jerusalem!

The Lord has repealed your sentence; he has driven your enemies away.

The Lord, the king of Israel, is in your midst; you have no more evil to fear.

When that day comes, word will come to Jerusalem:

Zion, have no fear, do not let your hands fall limp.

The Lord your God is in your midst, a victorious warrior.

He will exult with joy over you, he will renew you by his love; he will dance with shouts of joy for you as on a day of festival.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Isa 12:2-6

Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

SECOND READING

Philippians 4:4-7

I want you to be happy, always happy in the Lord; I repeat, what I want is your happiness. Let your tolerance be evident to everyone: the Lord is very near.

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Isa 61:1

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 3:10-18

When all the people asked John, 'What must we do?' he answered, 'If anyone has two tunics he must share

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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), 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



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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
1 st 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*

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*

THANK YOU

A special thank you to *Janet Burbidge* for co-ordinating our entry in the Willunga Christmas Tree festival this year. Our entry was in memory of Nancy Fraser, who coordinated our entry for the last few years, but unfortunately passed away suddenly, just before Easter this year. It was a very fitting tribute to Nancy. Thank you to everyone involved.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIANT

The Second Rite of the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated at St Luke's Church, Noarlunga Downs at 7.30pm on Tuesday 18 December. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

JOURNEY TO PEACE

Advent Taize Prayer Service - a service of prayer, song and contemplation will be held on 21 December from 11.00am - 12.00noon at SEM (Seaford Eucmencial Mission). Everyone welcome.

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.

WHAT MUST WE DO?

Father Michael finally sat down at his computer. He'd been interrupted several times that day as he tried to write a report for the school magazine that was already a week late. Just as he was beginning to put his fingers on the keyboard, the doorbell rang. He was tempted to ignore it, but out of duty he stomped towards the front door and yanked it open. It was Patrick. Father Michael knew his caller very well. Patrick was a "gentleman of the road" who liked a drink now and then. The priest would usually pass the time of day with Patrick, who would then happily move on, having gained the price of a cup of tea. Today, however, was different. Angry that he'd been disrupted Father Michael snapped: "And what do you want?" Patrick began his usual story, building up to the request for a little money. But Father Michael was not in the mood. Before Patrick had the chance to ask, he was sent away and the door was slammed shut behind him.

Father Michael returned to his computer and started to type. But now he was even more frustrated, not because he'd been disturbed, but because he'd been so unkind. All he could think about was Patrick's stooped figure walking down the presbytery

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path. To make things worse, it was a few weeks before Christmas, and even though it was summer, there was a cool breeze. He imagined himself as Scrooge in Charles Dickens' book A Christmas Carol.

Then the doorbell rang again. Unable to concentrate on writing his report, Father Michael went to see who it was. There stood another gentleman of the road. Immediately, Father Michael pulled one of his coats off its hook and thrust it toward the man. The visitor was slightly bemused by the priest's gesture, particularly because he hadn't even had time to ask for anything. Wearing his new coat, and with the price of a meal in his pocket, the man set off on his way. Father Michael returned to his computer. As he began to type, he smiled knowingly to himself. Had God taught him a lesson? If only he'd been generous when he first had the chance,

it would have cost him the price of a cup of tea and not his best overcoat.

Advent is a time of waiting in joyful hope. We are looking forward to celebrating the fulfilment of God's promise. It's a time of thankfulness for God's generous love, made real for us in Jesus. John the Baptist knew that this love was a free and undeserved gift. He was not even worthy to bend low and undo Christ's sandals. We do not have to be worthy to welcome Jesus, but we are called to be willing to let his presence change our attitudes and behaviour.

The Gospel shows us what it means in practice. Whatever shape they take, genuine Christian generosity and kindness will always be expressed with happiness and joy. We rejoice in God's gifts to us; let's also be joyful in happily sharing them with others.

GPBS eNews

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

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

WHAT'S ON

- Dec 16 Third Sunday of Advent
- Dec 23 Fourth Sunday of Advent
- Dec 25 Christmas Day
- Dec 25 Appeal for Aboriginal Catholic Ministry
- Jan 12 8pm - Cologne Philharmonia Concert - St Joseph's
- Mar 3 Unborn Child Appeal
- 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

08/09 December, 2018

First collection	\$711.00
Envelopes	\$399.00
Unpledged	\$334.00

Thank you for your support - it is much appreciated.

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
(0447 421 948)



ROSTERS

ALDINGA	Saturday, 15 December	Saturday, 22 December
Welcome	Ros Shoumack	Kate Manders
Commentator	Tricia Dundon	Peter Laffan
Readers	Robert Daly	Leo Dundon
	Heidi Davidson	Lillia Parkinson
Eucharistic Ministers	Brigid Grimwood	David Manders
	Judy Seward	Robert Daly
NORMANVILLE	Sunday, 16 December	Sunday, 23 December
Welcome	Mary Kennedy	Ena Harvey
Commentator/Prayers	Ann Henriksen	Jim Fitzpatrick
Reader	Patricia Litvensky	Trish Bohnsack
Eucharistic Minister	Lyn Wyld	Mary Kennedy
Church Cleaning	TBA	TBA
WILLUNGA	Sunday, 16 December	Sunday, 23 December
Welcome	Andrew Beach	Zagajewski family
Commentary	Michael Hynes	Vanda Farrall
First Reader	Marie Andrews	Pauleen Hounslow
Second Reader	Sue Thompson	Wayne Best
Eucharistic Ministers	Anna Rogers	Norman Lee
	Steve Maglieri	Marie Cester
Church Cleaning	Michael Hynes	May Dunn, Tony Harding
Counting	May Dunn	May Dunn
Church Linen	Marie Cester	Anna Rogers

- The judge told my cousin that he might look like one of the twelve apostles, but his mastery of Aramaic is insufficient for that alibi to be accepted.
- A dinosaur with only one eye is called a Doyouthinkhesaurus.
- The consequences of my bad eating habits have started to weigh on me.



"The great flood wiped out everyone on Earth except for Noah, because he kept his room clean, did his homework and ate all his vegetables!"

**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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with the man who has none, and the one with something to eat must do the same.' There were tax collectors too who came for baptism, and these said to him, 'Master, what must we do?' He said to them, 'Exact no more than your rate.' Some soldiers asked him in their turn, 'What must we do?' He said to them, 'No intimidation! No extortion! Be content with your pay!'

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. His winnowing-fan is in his hand to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his barn; but the chaff he will burn in a fire that will never go out.' As well as this, there were many other things he said to exhort the people and to announce the Good News to them.

EXPLORING THE WORD

'What must we do?' This is a profound question. The answer does not lie in pious gestures or private devotions. The Baptist is very clear that to be saved, people need to respond to the ways of God by being in right relationship with their neighbour and by living justly. The justice of God is forged in right relationship so that those who have more share with those who have nothing; so that people are treated fairly and no extortion or violence is used against them. John is inviting his hearers to form a new society, and they begin to suspect that he may be the Messiah. But he is adamant that the one more powerful than he is still to come, bringing a baptism of the Holy Spirit and of fire. At Pentecost, this baptism becomes a reality for the early

church, forming its members into the new society who respond to God's love by imitating the life and the love of the Son. They must now live like the wheat and not like the chaff fit only to be burnt.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Tax collectors at the time of Jesus were disliked immensely for two reasons. They collaborated with the Roman oppressors and they skimmed additional monies from the people for themselves.
- The Jewish people of this time were hopeful that a Messiah would come to overthrow the tyranny of the Roman Empire and set them free.
- The word Messiah in Hebrew means 'anointed one'; the word Christ has exactly the same meaning in Greek.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(December 17 - 23)

- **Monday, 17:** Monday, 3rd week Advent (Gen 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17)
- **Tuesday, 18:** Tuesday, 3rd week Advent (Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-24)
- **Wednesday, 19:** Wednesday, 3rd week Advent (Judges 13:2-7, 24-25; Lk 1:5-25)
- **Thursday, 20:** Thursday, 3rd week Advent (Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38)
- **Friday, 21:** Friday, 3rd week Advent (Song 2:8-14; Lk 1:39-45)
- **Saturday, 22:** Saturday, 3rd week Advent (1 Sam 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56)
- **Sunday 23:** FOURTH SUNDAY of ADVENT (Micah 5:1-4; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-44)



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).