

**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)
- Geraldine and Steve Robinson (Finance - Tuesday am)
- Gael Maloney (Parish Office - Friday am; Newsletter - articles due Wednesday - [bahloo2@bigpond.com](mailto:bahloo2@bigpond.com), 0447 421 948)

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**

*Ezekiel 17:22-24*

The Lord says this:  
 'From the top of the cedar,  
 from the highest branch I will take a  
 shoot and plant it myself on a very  
 high mountain. I will plant it on the  
 high mountain of Israel. It will  
 sprout branches and bear fruit, and  
 become a noble cedar. Every kind of  
 bird will live beneath it, every  
 winged creature rest in the shade of  
 its branches. And every tree of the  
 field will learn that I, the Lord, am  
 the one who stunts tall trees and  
 makes the low ones grow, who  
 withers green trees and makes the  
 withered green. I, the Lord, have  
 spoken, and I will do it.'

Lord, going as we do by faith and  
 not by sight – we are full of  
 confidence, I say, and actually want  
 to be exiled from the body and make  
 our home with the Lord. Whether we  
 are living in the body or exiled from  
 it, we are intent on pleasing him. For  
 all the truth about us will be brought  
 out in the law court of Christ, and  
 each of us will get what he deserves  
 for the things he did in the body,  
 good or bad.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Alleluia, alleluia!*  
*The seed is the word of God,  
 Christ is the sower;  
 all who come to him will live forever.*  
*Alleluia!*

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Ps 91:2-3, 13-16*

*Lord it is good to give thanks to you.*

**SECOND READING**

*2 Corinthians 5:6-10*

We are always full of confidence  
 when we remember that to live in  
 the body means to be exiled from the

**GOSPEL**

*Mark 4:26-34*

Jesus said to the crowds, 'This is  
 what the kingdom of God is like. A  
 man throws seed on the land. Night  
 and day, while he sleeps, when he is  
 awake, the seed is sprouting and  
 growing; how, he does not know.

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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 10am. Meetings are held at the Galilee Community Room, How Rd, Aldinga. Contact: svdp.aldinga@gmail.com

## 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 Monday, Wednesday, Thursday: 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
1 <sup>st</sup> Fri	Normanville: 5.30pm - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; 6.00pm - Mass (followed by shared meal)

## JUNE SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

There will be a Special Collection today - to be shared between the Propagation of the Faith and the Holy Father's Appeals.

## ST ANTHONY'S FIESTA

In the past, St Joseph's parishioners celebrated the Feast of St Anthony of Padua, with a special family lunch and get-together. St Joseph's Pastoral Team is reinstating this tradition this year.

All parishioners, from any of the three communities in the Willunga Parish, are warmly invited to join with others next Sunday, 24 June (following the 10.30am Mass) in St Joseph's Hall. Please contact Vanda Farrall (0476 276 066) for more details, or just bring finger food (savoury and/or sweet) to share and come along on the day.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The Willunga Chapter of St Vincent de Paul is seeking parishioner support to help restock their pantry. They are in need of:

- Weetbix
- Tea, coffee, sugar
- UHT milk
- Pasta, rice
- Tinned fish, tomatoes, soups and fruit.

Please place any donations into the baskets in the foyer of the Church.

## PLENARY COUNCIL 2020

As you may be aware Pope Francis gave his approval for the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020. The involvement of our local

church is crucial and further details will follow in the coming months. In the meantime, please check out the website, which hosts many useful resources:

[www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)  
If you are keen to know more, feel free to contact Sarah Moffatt [smoffatt@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:smoffatt@adelaide.catholic.org.au)

## LET IT TAKE YOU OVER

Jesus was a big threat to the people with power – all because he told simple stories like the one in this week's Gospel.

The mustard seed is a small seed that spreads quickly and stubbornly. It can take over an entire garden. According to Jesus, God's Kingdom can grow in the same way. It can spread quickly through all areas and relationships in our lives. Quickly and stubbornly, Jesus says, God can inspire disciples to spread through society working for the poor, the powerless, and the outcasts. That's bad news for the people whose power and profit is based on keeping others poor and powerless.

So it's not that hard to see why powerful people wanted him dead.

Jesus' message is still explosive and threatening to people who abuse power and profits today. That's why Christians are being martyred throughout the world. That's why many people throughout the world sometimes feel like outcasts.

Does God's Kingdom invade all areas of your life – school, sports, family, work, friends, weekends, wallet? Do you let Jesus' values of compassion, respect, forgiveness, and sacrifice for the powerless take root in all those areas? The more God's Kingdom spreads, the more you might face resistance from some people, especially those who say Jesus' words are unrealistic or idealistic. They might even call you a Jesus freak. But the more you get to know Jesus, the more you won't feel right unless you let it spread. Why? Because you'll see how your life more and more provides "shade" for so many people who need you. *GPBS eNews*



## LISTENING TO TREES

How can we picture God's kingdom? What kind of story can we use? It's like a pine nut. When it lands on the ground it is quite small as seeds go, yet once it is planted it grows into a huge pine tree with thick branches. Birds nest in it.

If you wanted to reduce the teachings of Jesus to a single theme, you might not do better than to focus on the kingdom of God. "The kingdom" isn't a fairytale place of castles and royal courts. The reign of God, as some translators phrase it, is a matter of allegiance more than geography. We don't move to "kingdom come" when we die. We reside there in the here and now if we choose God's way over our way in every decision.

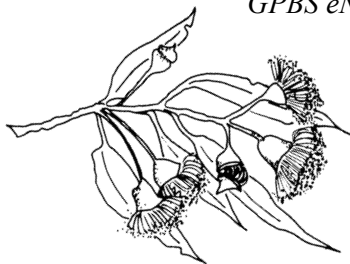
Jesus compares the kingdom to a tiny seed hidden in the ground: small, obscure, seemingly without relationship to anything but its secret self. But kingdom seed will emerge to become its own universe of roots and branches, connecting earth and sky and all of life together. What seemed irrelevant

becomes paramount. What was unseen emerges as dominant against the horizon. Is it so impossible to imagine that one day, everything we can hold in our hands will become worthless? And that invisible things like truth, goodness, faith, love, hope and justice will become the only things that matter?

With many stories like these, he presented his message to them, fitting the stories to their experience and maturity. He was never without a story when he spoke. When he was alone with his disciples, he went over everything, sorting out the tangles, untying the knots.

- How do you invest in the kingdom today?
- What seeds are you sowing now for the harvest to come?

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## ROSTERS

### ALDINGA

Welcome  
Commentator  
Readers

### Eucharistic Ministers

#### Saturday, 16 June

Kate Manders  
Tricia Dundon  
David Manders  
Robert Daly  
Judy Driscoll  
Brian Younie

#### Saturday, 23 June

Ros Shoumack  
Michelle Cormack  
Christine Jones  
Peter Laffan  
Mario Bacchin  
Dennis Jones

### NORMANVILLE

Welcome  
Commentator/Prayers  
Reader  
Eucharistic Minister  
Church Cleaning

#### Sunday, 17 June

Ann Henriksen  
Trish Bohnsack  
Peter Bohnsack  
Mary Kennedy  
Jacqui & David Salkeld

#### Sunday, 24 June

Tim Fleming  
Ena Harvey  
Mary Kennedy  
Judy Hore  
Jacqui & David Salkeld

### WILLUNGA

Welcome  
Commentary  
First Reader  
Second Reader  
Eucharistic Ministers  
Church Cleaning  
Counting  
Church Linen

#### Sunday, 17 June

Silas Okeke  
Vanda Farrall  
Marie Andrews  
Wayne Best  
Norman Lee  
Marie Cester  
Rebecca Pace  
May Dunn  
Anna Rogers

#### Sunday, 24 June

Pauleen & John Hounslow  
Jim Smith  
Margaret Guley  
Andrew Beach  
Steve Maglieri  
Beth Thomas (or M Guley)  
Michael Hynes, Silas Okeke  
Mary & Bev Fitzpatrick  
Margaret Guley

## PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Anne Murphy, Paul Brown, Deirdre Boyd, Chris Rodger.

Anniversaries: Marjorie Lee, Charles Fitzpatrick.

## WHAT'S ON

- Jun 16/17 Special Collection - Propagation of the Faith and Holy Father's Appeals
- Jun 28 Parish Finance Council meets
- Jun 28 St Peter's choir practice
- Jul 1 Special Collections - NATSICC & Apostleship of Sea Appeals
- Jul 7 Pastoral Council - Normanville
- Jul 26 St Peter's choir practice
- Aug 4 Pastoral Council - Aldinga
- Aug 12 Appeal for Vocations
- Aug 30 St Peter's choir practice
- Aug 15 Assumption of Mary
- Sep Catholic Charities Appeal Month
- Sep 1 Pastoral Council - Willunga
- Sep 27 St Peter's choir practice
- Oct 6 Pastoral Council - Normanville
- Oct 21 World Mission Day Appeal
- Oct 25 St Peter's choir practice
- Nov 1 All Saints' Day
- Nov 3 Pastoral Council - Aldinga
- Nov 11 St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal
- Nov 29 St Peter's choir practice
- Dec 1 Pastoral Council - Willunga
- Dec 8 Feast - Immaculate Conception
- Dec 25 Appeal for Aboriginal Catholic Ministry

## COLLECTIONS

09/10 June, 2018

First collection	\$682.00
Envelopes	\$485.00
Unpledged	\$373.00

Thank you for your support - it is much appreciated.

• I find it amazing that the amount of news that happens in the world every day always exactly fits the newspaper.

• An apiarist and an ornithologist went on a date, naturally their conversations turned to the birds and the bees.

• I don't care what my stupid car says, a door will never be a jar.

**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  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday 11am (Spanish Mass)  
2<sup>nd</sup> 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*  
1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays 10.30am  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays 8.30am  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday 6.00pm

**PARNDANA**

2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 2.30pm

**PENNESHAW**

*St Columba, North Terrace  
(shared with Anglicans)*  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday 2.00pm

**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 (other than 1<sup>st</sup>) 9.00am  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday 11.30am

**WILLUNGA**

*St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street*  
1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays 8.30am  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays 10.30am  
Wednesday 9.00am  
Thursday 9.00am  
Friday 9.00am

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Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time: he starts to reap because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

- Parables are very short stories with a double meaning. They act like metaphors and can be interpreted very broadly. To understand the parables of Jesus we must be attentive to both the literal and metaphorical language used.
- The nearness of the kingdom (or reign) of God is the central plank of the teaching of Jesus in Mark's Gospel.
- The term 'kingdom of God' occurs only in the New Testament but similar expressions are found in the Old Testament. It refers to a time when God's will would be done on Earth.
- Matthew uses the term 'kingdom of heaven' as a way of avoiding the use of the sacred name of God.

**EXPLORING THE WORD**

Parables provoke interpretation. They make us wonder what Jesus was referring to and what he really meant. At times, he is quite vague about the real meaning and his disciples are left wondering. Think for example of the parable of the Sower which Jesus must

later explain (Mk 4: 13-20). At other times, like the instances we have in this gospel reading, Jesus is quite explicit: he tells his hearers that he is talking about the kingdom of God. Even so, he must still explain his meaning to the disciples when he is alone with them. Unfortunately, Mark does not report for us what interpretation Jesus places on these parables.

In the Old Testament, the imagery of the reign of God had an apocalyptic dimension; it was to come to fullness at the end times when the wicked would be punished and the faithful vindicated. Only then would there be a new heaven and a new Earth. The message in Mark's Gospel however, is quite different. Jesus proclaims that the kingdom of God has already begun. It is among us now. 'This is the time of fulfilment. The kingdom of God is at hand' (Mk 1:15). Like the seed planted, it takes root and grows mysteriously into something much larger than itself. The kingdom or reign is a gracious gift from God brought near in Christ and demanding a response of faith from those who recognise the truth of his word. The kingdom offers a challenge; like the man who sowed the seed, we must be ready to cooperate in God's work when the harvest time comes.

**THIS WEEK'S READINGS**

*(18 - 24 June)*

- **Monday, 18:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (1Kg 21:1-16; Mt 5:38-42)
- **Tuesday, 19:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (1 Kg 21:17-29; Mt 5:43-48)
- **Wednesday, 20:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (2 Kg 2:1, 6-14; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18)
- **Thursday, 21:** St Aloysius (Sirach 48:1-4; Mt 6:7-15)
- **Friday, 22:** Sts John Fisher and Thomas More (2 Kg 11:1-4, 918, 20; Mt 6:19-23)
- **Saturday, 23:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (2 Chr 24:17-25; Mt 6:24-34)
- **Sunday 24:** The NATIVITY of ST JOHN THE BAPTIST (Is 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80)

**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).