



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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MASS CENTRES

- Mary of Galilee, cnr Quinliven and How Roads, ALDINGA - Galilee
- St Peter's, Cape Jervis Rd, 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

Genesis 9:8-15

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.'

God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 24:4-9

Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

SECOND READING

1 Peter 3:18-22

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 4:4

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!*

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Bulletin Board

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon No Masses - Willunga Parish
9.00am - Noarlunga
Tue 9.15am - Aldinga
Wed 9.00am - Willunga
12.00noon - Normanville
Thur 9.00am - Willunga
Fri 9.00am - Willunga

WEEKEND MASSES

(Times on front page of this bulletin)

Please Note

We are still required to comply with the 1:2sqm restriction. St Joseph's can accommodate 75 for Mass, St Peter's 26 and Mary of Galilee 45 (plus approx 90 in the adjoining Hall). Bookings are essential for St Peter's - phone Patricia Litvensky (0448 783 288).

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Ps 90:5-16

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.

LENT – 2021

The season of Lent is a penitential season of prayer, penance and reaching out to others.

Project Compassion is a practical means of enabling us to reach out in generosity to those in need. This year Caritas Australia is supporting the promotion of many food programs throughout the world where the risk of starvation is high.

What is Fasting and Abstaining?

Fasting is for Catholics between the ages of 18 and 60 years, unless they have particular health requirements or are sick. Fasting is to have perhaps one meal for the day or to have two smaller meals that equal one meal (with no snacks). Remember to drink lots of water! Fasting is about being more alert. It helps us to heighten our senses and consciousness, to aid our prayer, and to name our deeper desires so that we can be ready to listen to God more openly.

Abstinence is for Catholics between the ages of 14 and 60 years, unless they have particular health requirements or are sick. We are to abstain from meat only on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday. Some people choose to do this every Friday of Lent, but this is not required by the Church!

PROJECT COMPASSION



Jamila, 22, is a Rohingya woman living in the world's largest refugee camp in Bangladesh. She was forced to flee the armed conflict in Myanmar to save herself, her elderly mother and her eight-month-old baby. With the support of Caritas Australia, through Caritas Bangladesh, Jamila was able to access emergency food and shelter. She also received counselling, emotional support, and learnt sewing skills to help her earn an income. Jamila now feels less alone, with a sense of community around her. She is able to 'Be More' to her little family. "Thank you, and thanks Caritas Australia," Jamila says.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 to help mothers like Jamila be more for her family and her community. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or 1800 024 413.

LENTEN EVENING PRAYER

"Rebuild my Church"

Earlier this year, Archbishop O'Regan wrote to all parishes in the Adelaide Archdiocese to let people know there will be no Lenten Stational Masses this year. His message strongly encouraged parishes to organise their own Lenten prayer events, with assistance from the Office of Worship, who are producing a Lenten Booklet that may be used as a guide.

In Willunga Parish, a Lenten Group will meet at Mary of Galilee Church, Aldinga at 6.00pm on Tuesday evenings. Parishioners from all three of our communities are warmly invited to take part.

DESERT TEMPTATIONS

The story of the temptation is a wonderful portrait of physical and spiritual realities in juxtaposition. On one side is the Spirit, driving Jesus inward to encounter Satan for a contest over authority. In the end, we find Jesus in the company of wild beasts and angels, in perfect harmony,

as if heaven and earth were finally made whole. The lion lies down with the lamb, and an angel protects them both.

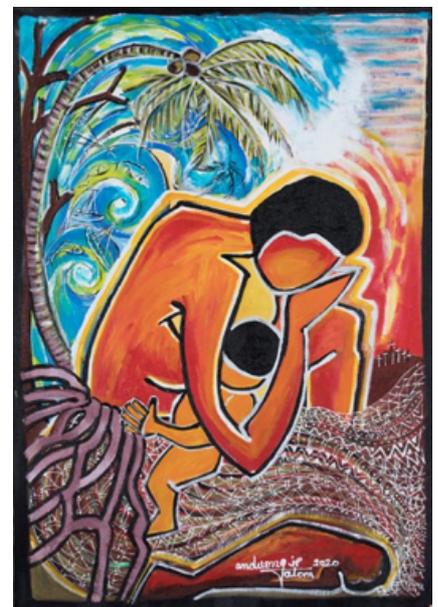
Jesus struggles over temptations that appeal as much to the body as to the spirit. Both his physical and spiritual natures must be surrendered to God's will, and it is that surrender which marks the beginning and end of his work on earth. "Into your hands I commit my spirit," Jesus sighs from the cross. His body is already committed.

The image of Jesus with beasts and angels reminds us of humanity's ideal: to be at peace with this world and the next. So long as we neglect our responsibilities to one or the other, we won't know lasting peace.

How are your temptations both physical and spiritual?

Honour the natural world. Plant some bulbs, take a child to an arboretum, support a wildlife organisation. Honour the spiritual world. Renew your commitment to the spiritual works of mercy. *GPBS eNews*

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER *"Build on a strong foundation"*



This year a local World Day of Prayer service will be hosted by the Uniting Church at the **McLaren Vale Uniting Church on Friday, March 5 at 7.00pm.**

The 2021 featured country is Vanuatu and there will be a guest speaker. Everyone is most welcome to attend.

*Jenny Esots
(0447 839 040)*

BE A PROMISE KEEPER

“But you promised!”

When my mother heard my friend Murray say this to me, I knew instinctively that, at 12 years of age, I was about to learn a very important life lesson, like it or not. She firmly told me that if I promised to help Murray with his science project by helping him collect and display leaves from 25 local species of trees, that would be how I would spend my Saturday - despite my Aunt Mary taking my brothers without me to Riverview Park. The best amusement park in the world could not be worth a broken promise. It was a difficult lesson for me to learn.

When God makes a promise, God keeps that promise better than we do. The covenant that God makes to Noah and all the chosen people would forever be symbolised in the beauty and majesty of the rainbow.

This Lent, in seeking forgiveness, look to the sky and see the rainbow. God has promised is forgiveness. We need only to humbly ask for the unconditional love that God has promised. It is there for us now, and we will see it in another beautiful symbol, the cross, on Good Friday.

GPBS eNews

**ST PAUL’S PUBLICATIONS
AUSTRALIA – EXCERPTS FROM
THE ROMAN MISSAL**

We are pleased to let you know that we are about to release the Ritual Book, Excerpts from the Roman Missal (Book of the Chair). This has been in preparation for quite a few years and contains all of the prayers that the celebrant says from the Chair. It is a beautifully produced book of 416 pages that will sell for \$120. However, we have a special pre-publication offer for all orders received by 15 March.

Please click link to place order: [https://secure.stpauls.com.au/product/65/New+Roman+Missal+Resources/Unknown/10303/Excerpts+from+the+Roman+Missal+\(Book+of+the+Chair\)](https://secure.stpauls.com.au/product/65/New+Roman+Missal+Resources/Unknown/10303/Excerpts+from+the+Roman+Missal+(Book+of+the+Chair)). For further enquiries contact 02 9394 3400 or sales@stpauls.com.au

The peace Jesus offered is the absolute assurance that we are connected to the source of life in such a way that nothing can ever sever: not bad health, not betrayal by someone, indeed, not even our own sin. We are unconditionally loved and held by the source of life itself and nothing can change that. Nothing can change God’s unconditional love for us.

Ronald Rolheiser

**PLEASE KEEP THESE
PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Sick: Val and George Gater, Abbey McIver, Veronica Shortland, Muriel Smith, Jeff Gray, Judy Hore, Arthur Jones, Violet Gilli, Colin and Roma Whitford, Deanne Bostock, Vence Sulda, Leonie Zeven

Recently deceased: Ray Ellis, Jeff Field

Anniversaries: Elizabeth and Terry Fitzpatrick

DATES

- Lent 2021 Project Compassion
- Feb 21 First Sunday of Lent
- Mar 5 World Day of Prayer
- Mar 8 Adelaide Cup Day
- 1 Apr Holy Thursday
- 2 Apr Good Friday
- 3 Apr Holy Saturday
- 4 Apr Easter Day
- 5 Apr Easter Monday
- 9 Apr Last day School Term 1
- 25 Apr ANZAC Day
- 26 Apr ANZAC Day public holiday
- 27 Apr First day School Term 2
- 14 Jun Queen’s birthday holiday
- 4 Oct Labour Day holiday



ALDINGA
Commentator
Readers

Saturday 20 February
Christina Tiedge
Bob Daly
Rod Boucher

Saturday 27 February
Christine McWilliams
Christine Jones
Denis Jones

NORMANVILLE

Sunday, 21 February
To be advised

Sunday, 28 February
To be advised

WILLUNGA
Commentator
Reader
Church Cleaning
Church Linen

Sunday, 21 February
Wayne Best
Sue Thompson
Michael Hynes
Marie Cester

Sunday, 28 February
Anna Rogers
Vanda Farrall
Michael Hynes
Margaret Guley

- I have an inferiority complex, but it’s not a very good one.
- Shout out to anyone wondering what the opposite of in is.
- I can tell people are judgemental just by looking at them.
- How many narcissists does it take to screw in a lightbulb? One. He holds the bulb while the world revolves around him.



COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

(Current for 23/24 January)

- Attendees at Mass must maintain social distancing of 1:2 sqm.
- Funerals are capped at 200 people, whilst maintaining 1:2 sqm.
- Weddings are capped at 200 people, whilst maintaining 1:2 sqm.
- No beverage or food consumption (ie cup of tea after Mass)
- Singing as a congregation is to be avoided.
- Except for families and household groups, people should socially distance. There should be no physical contact outside one's family or household group.
- There should be no shaking of hands or holding hands during the Mass.
- Every gathering must record contact details - either with the QR code for smart phones, or the handwritten log - both located at the entrance to the Church.
- Hand sanitizer is to be available at church entrances.
- Offertory procession will be omitted. Communion is given only in hands. Precious Blood will not be distributed
- Collection plates will not be passed around but a single drop point is provided at the churches.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- All surfaces should be cleaned at least daily, with special attention given to frequently touched surfaces.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people should be encouraged not to attend.
- Care should be taken at the dismissal and on leaving the church to minimise social contact.
- The obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage.

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GOSPEL

Mark 1:12-15

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

EXPLORING THE WORD

The Baptist had promised that Jesus would baptise with the Holy Spirit and at his baptism the Holy Spirit had descended on him. Now that same Spirit drives Jesus into the wilderness. He is not the master of his own destiny. He is the object of the action of God. There is no murmur of opposition to this. Jesus accepts God's Spirit and God's will. As a consequence, the harmony of creation is restored and Jesus 'is with' the wild beasts. It is a fulfilment of the prophecy of Isaiah that 'the wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, and the calf and the lion and fatling together' (Is 11:6-7). The new creation has begun in the person of Jesus, the Christ, the Son of God. Indeed, he proclaims that the Kingdom of God is close at hand.

But Jesus also summons his followers to repent and believe the good news. Lent is a time to listen attentively to the gospel and to turn back to the ways of the Father. It is a time for us to consider how close we are to the Kingdom of God.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Lent lasts for forty days in imitation of Jesus' forty days in the wilderness. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Thursday.
- There is evidence of Lenten preparation for Easter very early in

the Church's history but its practices became more regularised after the Council of Nicaea.

- Each Lent all the baptised are expected to adopt the three Lenten disciplines of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving to those in need.
 - In years gone by, Catholics did not eat meat on any Friday, and later, on Fridays in Lent. Today there are two days of the year when Catholics are expected to not eat meat—Ash Wednesday and Good Friday—but all the Fridays of Lent are still days when we should 'fast'.
 - This scene in the gospel has been traditionally associated with the Judean wilderness, an unforgiving dessert landscape in the south of the country.
- ## MAKING CONNECTIONS
- How do you experience 'the wilderness' in your life? What are the 'wild beasts' for you in this place? Who or what looks after you?
 - What comforts and distractions make it difficult for you to follow Jesus' way?

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(22 - 28 February)

- **Monday, 22:** The Chair of St Peter (1 Pet 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19)
- **Tuesday, 23:** Tuesday of 1st week of Lent (Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15)
- **Wednesday, 24:** Wednesday of 1st week of Lent (Jonah 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32)
- **Thursday, 25:** Thursday of 1st week of Lent (Esther 14:1, 3-5, 12-14; Mt 7:7-12)
- **Friday, 26:** Friday of 1st week of Lent (Ezek 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26)
- **Saturday, 27:** Saturday of 1st week of Lent (Deut 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48)
- **Sunday 28:** SECOND SUNDAY of LENT (Gen 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18; Rom 8:31-34; Mk 9:2-10)

PASTORAL CARE

If you need a Priest for anointing of the sick or last rites contact: Noarlunga/Seaford (8382 1717), Willunga (0488 287 552), Victor Harbor/Goolwa (8552 1084), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).