



Jubilee Year
of Mercy
2015/16

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 Charles Gauci (Parish Priest)
Fr Saminathan [Sam] Arockiasamy
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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASS CENTRES

Mary of Galilee, cnr Quinliven and
How Roads, ALDINGA - Galilee
Community Room (phone 8557 9018)
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

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

Taking Abram outside, the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified.

'I am the Lord' he said to him 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldaeans to make you heir to this land.' 'My Lord, the Lord' Abram replied 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?' He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off.

Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there

appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms:

'To your descendants I give this land, from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

SECOND READING

Philippians 3:17-4:1

My brothers, be united in following my rule of life. Take as your models everybody who is already doing this and study them as you used to study us. I have told you often, and I repeat it today with tears, there are many who are behaving as the enemies of the cross of Christ. They are destined to be lost. They make foods into their god and they are proudest of something they ought to think shameful; the things they think important are earthly things. For us,

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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 midday.

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 - 11.00am at Galilee Community Room, Aldinga.
Co-ordinator - Lisa Pullens (0426 715 546).

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Meetings held twice monthly - every second Tuesday of month at 10am and the Tuesday, two weeks later at 3pm. All meetings are held at the rear of 9 Austin Place, Port Willunga.
Contact: svdp.aldinga@gmail.com

GALILEE HOUSEKEEPING TEAM

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

GALILEE OP SHOP

How Road, Aldinga. Open Mon, Wed, Thur, Fri 9.00am - 3.00pm



Bulletin Board

WEEKDAY MASSES (or COMMUNION SERVICES)

Mon	No Masses in Willunga Parish, 9.00am - Noarlunga
Tues	9.15am - Aldinga
Wed	9.00am - Willunga
Thur	9.00am - Willunga
Fri	9.00am - Willunga

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be prayed at Mary of Galilee Church, Aldinga at 7.00pm each Wednesday during Lent. All welcome.

PROJECT COMPASSION



This week Project Compassion focuses on Niger, where life is very tough. Many live in extreme poverty, often unable to afford or access food and water.

In Niger, more than half the children under five years old have experienced malnutrition. A Nutrition Centre in Niger (supported by Caritas Australia) admits over 500 malnourished children every week. When Fati (2½) became malnourished, her mother Mariama took her to the Centre to receive the food, nutritional supplements and medical care that she needed to recover. Mariama too was able to regain her strength and learn new income producing skills.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2015 and help save the lives of people living on the brink of survival in Niger, giving them access to nutritional support and essential food for life.

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 (as the monks in the desert discovered centuries ago), to aid our prayer and 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!

2016 POT LUCK DINNERS AT GALILEE

The dates for Pot Luck Dinners at Mary of Galilee, Aldinga are: February 27, April 23, June 25, August 27 and October 29. Everyone is most welcome. If you would like more information, please contact Christine McWilliams.

DO YOU PRAY OR ESCAPE?

It happens pretty regularly at the end of powerful prayer gatherings and retreats: no one wants to leave. So many times people have told me how sad they feel about having to go back to the real world.

Peter feels the same way in this week's Gospel. The Transfiguration baffles many people. But just think of it this way: Jesus and his closest friends go up a mountain and pray and during their prayer they realise the importance of Jesus and his mission. They connect his mission to historic religious leaders like Moses and Elijah. They feel God's presence. Peter wants to stay.

But maybe the most important part of the story is the end. They go back down the mountain and head toward Jerusalem, where their insights will change how they live in the real world. We know how the story ends.

Here's the lesson for us. Our prayer life isn't for us. It is for our journey in the world, where God calls us to live the Reign's values. That doesn't mean prayer shouldn't comfort us when we struggle with personal problems. It should. But prayer gatherings, retreats, and personal



quiet time with Jesus must also turn our focus toward friends and family who need our support, poor people who need our compassion, and society's injustices that need our activism. Our prayer life should help us be Christ's presence to all people – from the people in our schools to the people in faraway lands. If our prayer life doesn't do this, then prayer is little more than an escape from reality.

Lent is a good time to evaluate your prayer and worship life. Is it an escape or a petrol station for your journey as a disciple?

What prayer or worship experience has challenged you and strengthened you to make a Christian decision in the real world?

The Action

Imagine yourself alone in your own favourite, quiet place. Look around this place. What do you see? Are you outside seeing grass, trees, water, sky, buildings, roads, the horizon? Are you in your room

surrounded by trophies and ribbons, old toys and stuffed animals, your favourite music chilling your worries? Where are you and what are you doing?

Imagine the older person whom your family says you are most like. Ask this person to come and talk with you. Say hello and tell the person what he or she has meant to you. Ask another person to join you, someone whom you want to be like. Say hello and introduce this person to the first person; tell the two about each other. Tell your two friends what you have been doing and what decisions loom ahead for you. Lay this out for them.

SOUTHERN VALES SCHOOLS MINISTRY

The 2016 Celebration service for SV Pastoral Support workers will be held on Sunday March 20 at 5pm at St Margaret's Anglican Church, 99 Main Road, McLaren Vale. Light refreshments will be available after the Celebration service.

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Tracy Radford, Kerryn James, Tom Victory, Julie Felts, Margaret and Bill Stevens, Sr Ann Griffin.

WHAT'S ON

Feb 27 Aldinga Pot Luck Dinner
Feb 28 Third Sunday of Lent
Mar 6 Fourth Sunday of Lent
Mar 13 Fifth Sunday of Lent
Mar 20 Palm Sunday
Mar 24 Holy Thursday
Mar 25 Good Friday
Mar 26 Holy Saturday
Mar 27 Easter Sunday
Apr 23 Aldinga Pot Luck Dinner
May 14 Aldinga Trading Table
Jun 25 Aldinga Pot Luck Dinner
Aug 13 Aldinga Trading Table
Aug 27 Aldinga Pot Luck Dinner
Oct 29 Aldinga Pot Luck Dinner
Nov 12 Aldinga Trading Table

COLLECTIONS

13/14 February, 2016

First collection	\$750.00
Envelopes	\$407.00
Unpledged	\$414.00

Thank you for your support
- it is much appreciated.

ROSTERS

(For Mass times refer to page 1)

ALDINGA	Saturday, 13 February	Saturday, 20 February
Welcome	Family Mass	Rose Sulda
Commentator	Rachel Bishop	Christina Tiedge
Readers	Family Mass	Chris McWilliams
	Family Mass	Peter Laffan
Eucharistic Ministers	Kerry Gould	Judy Driscoll
	Brigid Grimwood	Judy Seward
NORMANVILLE	Sunday, 14 February	Sunday, 21 February
Welcome	Eileen Hammat	Marg Burrough
Commentator/Prayers	David Salkeld	Joan Fogarty
Reader	Jacqui Salkeld	Park Fogarty
Eucharistic Minister	Judy Hore	Lyn Wyld
Church Cleaning	Dee Harvey	Dee Harvey
WILLUNGA	Sunday, 14 February	Sunday, 21 February
Welcome	Joe Rasera	Marie Andrews
Commentary	Anna Rogers	Michael Hynes
First Reader	Sue Thompson	Pauleen Hounslow
Second Reader	Margaret Guley	Sue Thompson
Eucharistic Ministers	Bev Fitzpatrick	Steve Maglieri
	Jim Smith	Beth Thomas
Church Cleaning	Maryanne Taylor	Birgit & Michael Hynes
Counting	May Dunn	Mary & Bev Fitzpatrick
Church Linen	Marie Cester	Margaret Guley

Charley, a new retiree-greeter at Bunnings, just couldn't seem to get to work on time. Every day he was late, but he was a good worker, tidy, sharp-minded and a real credit to the company - obviously demonstrating their "Older Person Friendly" policies. One day the boss called him into the office for a talk.

"Charley, I have to tell you, I like your work ethic, you do a great job when you finally get here; but being late so often is quite bothersome."

"Yes, I know boss, and I am working on it."

"Well good, you are a team player. That's what I like to hear".

"Yes sir, I understand your concern and I will try harder".

Seeming puzzled, the manager went on to comment, "I know you're retired from the Navy. What did they say to you there if you showed up in the morning late so often?"

The old man looked down at the floor, then smiled. He chuckled quietly, then said with a grin, "They usually saluted and said, Good morning, Admiral, can I get your coffee, sir"?"

REGULAR MASS TIMES IN OUR CLUSTER CHURCHES ALDINGA

Mary of Galilee, the First Disciple
cnr Quinliven and Howe 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
4th Sunday (Youth Mass) 6.00pm

NOARLUNGA

St Luke, the Evangelist,
cnr Honeypot Rd and Goldsmith Dve
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am
1st Sunday 11.00am (Spanish Mass)
2nd Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass)
Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm
Monday 9.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Wednesday 7.00am, 7.30pm
Thursday 9.00am (St John's School)
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

4th Sunday 4.00pm

PENNESHAW

St Columba, North Terrace
(shared with Anglicans)
1st Sunday 2.00pm

SEAFORD

*Seaford Ecumenical Mission, Grand
Bvd*
Sunday 10.45am
Wednesday 9.00am

VICTOR HARBOR

St Joan of Arc, 30 Seaview Road
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 11.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am
Friday (other than 1st) 9.00am
1st Friday 11.30am

WILLUNGA

St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street
1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 8.30am
2nd, 4th Sundays 10.30am
Wednesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am

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our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe.

So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him.

GOSPEL

Luke 9:28-36

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' – He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

MISERICORDIAE VULTUS – THE FACE OF MERCY

In section 6 of the Bull of Indiction, Pope Francis quotes several extracts from the Psalms, which focus on the quality of mercy.

“...the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.

The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous. The Lord watches over the sojourners, he upholds the widow and the fatherless; but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.” (Psalm 146:7-9)
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WE EACH ARE CALLED TO TRANSFORM, JUST AS JESUS DID ON THE MOUNTAIN TOP

The transformation or transfiguration of Jesus that the disciples experienced was not simply something they were to see and experience as happening to him alone. It was also an invitation for them to undergo a transformation and transfiguration of their own.

Paul says in today's reading, "For us, our homeland is in heaven," that is, the goal and destination of our life is to be one with God. There is no other goal. "And from heaven [i.e. from God] comes the Saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe."

How is that transformation or transfiguration to take place? By listening to Jesus, listening to all that he invites us to be and to do, however much it may seem to go against the conventions we were brought up on. It means especially listening to those words which caused such difficulty for Peter and his companions and integrating them into my own vision of life. It means having a total trust in walking his Way, a total trust that only his Way brings me into full union with God, the source of all truth, love, happiness and peace. *Sacred Space web*

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(22 - 28 February)

- **Mon, 22:** Chair of St Peter (1 Pet 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19)
- **Tues, 23:** Tues, 2nd week Lent (Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12)
- **Wed, 24:** Wed, 2nd week Lent (Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28)
- **Thur, 25:** Thur, 2nd week Lent (Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31)
- **Fri, 26:** Fri, 2nd week Lent (Gen 37:3-4, 12-13, 17-28; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46)
- **Sat, 27:** Sat, 2nd week Lent (Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32)
- **Sunday, 28:** 3rd Sun Lent (Joshua 5:9-12; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32)